

Dept. of Natural Resources: Environmental review for City of Nekoosa project

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MADISON, Wis. – The City of Nekoosa is an applicant for funding through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP) to address deficiencies in their public drinking water system.

The project includes replacing aging and deteriorating water mains primarily on Wood Avenue from Waterworks Road to South Cedar Street. The project additionally includes any connecting mains, services, all accessories, replacement of existing hydrants in the project areas and related work and restoration for a complete project and a safe and efficiently operating system.

Activities related to this project are minor actions under Chapter NR 150, Wis. Admin. Code, for which no environmental analysis is required. However, in accordance with the SDWLP federal requirement 40 C.F.R. §35.3580, an environmental review must be conducted before funding this project.

The SDWLP has determined that the project will not result in significant adverse environmental effects and no further environmental review or analysis is needed before proceeding with funding the project.

The SDWLP is soliciting public comments regarding this decision and the potential environmental impacts of this project. Written or verbal comments are encouraged.

Provide comments to Kevin Olson, community financial assistance, Department of Natural Resources: CF/2 101 S Webster St. P.O. Box 7921, Madison, Wisconsin 53707, or 608-266-9955 by Oct. 23, 2020.

Based on the comments received, the SDWLP may prepare an environmental analysis before proceeding with the funding process. The analysis would summarize the DNR's consideration of the impacts of the project and reasonable alternatives.