

# Dept. of Natural Resources: Seeking public comment for environmental review of City of Abbotsford safe drinking water loan program projects

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**MADISON, Wis.** – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced the City of Abbotsford is an applicant for funding through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP) to address deficiencies in its public drinking water systems. These projects include the rehabilitation to water wells, the construction of new wells and the rehabilitation of the water tower in the City of Abbotsford.

Activities related to this project are minor actions under Chapter NR 150, Wis. Admin. Code, for which no environmental analysis is required; however, following the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program federal requirement 40 C.F.R. §35.3580, an environmental review must be conducted before funding this project.

The Safe Drinking Water Loan Program 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 public is encouraged to submit comments regarding this decision and the potential environmental impacts of this project. Submit comments by March 25, 2022 to:

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