



Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation State Revolving Fund Program

ADEC awards \$5,079,500 low-interest construction loan to the City of Sitka for wastewater treatment plant rehabilitation

SITKA - The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) announces the award of a \$5,079,500 low-interest construction loan to the City of Sitka to finance improvements to the City's wastewater treatment plant.

The funding will be used to complete HVAC and building envelope improvements, replace interior finishes and equipment, provide joist corrosion protection, ensure seismic compliance, replace electrical system components, and abate hazardous materials including asbestos containing material, lead paint and mercury in various parts of the facility. This project will achieve a number of benefits, including the following:

- Provide needed upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant to ensure the facility can meet demands, and
- Provide a safe work environment.

ADEC is authorized by state law to issue loans to borrowers for eligible wastewater system infrastructure projects. Administration of the loan is through the ADEC State Revolving Fund program under the authority of the Alaska Clean Water Fund.

The loan from the Alaska Drinking Water Fund for this project carries a finance rate of 1.5% payable over 20 years. The Alaska Drinking Water Fund is capitalized annually by a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs operate around the country to provide states and communities the resources necessary to maintain and improve the infrastructure that protects our valuable water resources nationwide.

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