



# State Revolving Fund Loan Programs

Drinking Water, Wastewater, Nonpoint Source

## SRF Newsletter

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We are proud to announce that our Drinking Water SRF Loan Program has been recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for innovative lending practices, leveraging of SRF dollars and creative use of set-aside funds. The U.S. EPA presented Indiana with this award during the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities' national conference on November 6, 2007. We look forward to continuing to identify creative ways to provide financing to assist Indiana communities in addressing their wastewater and drinking water infrastructure needs. Contact our Wastewater and Drinking Water Administrators to see how we can provide financial assistance to your community. Also, visit our updated website ([www.srf.IN.gov](http://www.srf.IN.gov)) to learn more about our programs, including current interest rates and how we can help finance a project to improve your community's wastewater and drinking water infrastructure.

*Jim McGoff, Director*

### SRF hits the \$2 Billion Mark

Are you a community that helped the SRF Loan Programs hit the \$2 Billion in loans mark? If so, Congratulations! Not only have you made our programs successful resources for financing wastewater and drinking water projects, but you have also helped clean the waters of Indiana and provided thousands of Hoosiers with better drinking water.

The SRF Loan Programs have provided loans throughout the state from Argos to Zanesville, from Allen County to Whitley County. In many cases, residents and community leaders have come together to meet a community need. Here are some fun facts about the Indiana SRF Loan Programs:

Total \$ Loans:	Approaching \$2,010,195,120
Loans Made:	385
Population Served:	208 persons to 781,870
Loan Amount:	Range from \$55,000 to \$90 million

The SRF Loan Programs are pleased to be your financial partner now and for years to come. We always seek innovative ways to improve our programs. Let us know your ideas for ways we can help your community in the future by visiting [www.srf.IN.gov](http://www.srf.IN.gov) and clicking on the "SRF Program Survey" icon. Thank you for your business!

### Reminders: End of the Year Loan Closings

Reminders to communities preparing to close an SRF loan before year-end: for the second quarter interest rates remain unchanged (see [srf.IN.gov](http://srf.IN.gov)), bids must be submitted prior to closing a subsidized SRF loan, and financial due diligence should be submitted prior to scheduling a loan closing.

### Indiana SRF Presents at National Conference

Before any project closes an SRF loan, it must first go through an environmental review, as required by the U.S. EPA. The process can be complicated to both engineering professionals and loan applicants. To make this process easier and more predictable, Max Henschen, the SRF Environmental Reviewer, assists customers in navigating the paperwork, maps, figures and text.

Because the U.S. EPA recognizes the efficiency of our environmental review process and felt Indiana's experience was worth sharing with other states, the agency asked Mr. Henschen to speak at the annual conference of the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities (CIFA) to discuss aspects of the National Historic Preservation Act. We congratulate Mr. Henschen on a job well done.

### Loan Participants: An Opportunity to Earn Interest on Debt Service Reserve

The SRF Loan Programs are offering all loan participants the opportunity to move their debt service reserve account to the Indianapolis Trustee Bank, the Bank of New York, in order to receive the same preferred investment rates as the SRF Loan Programs.

The loan participant is the sole owner of the funds and the recipient of the interest earned. This arrangement better enables the loan participant and the SRF Loan Programs to verify and ensure that appropriate account balances are maintained.

# SRF Success Stories

## Sullivan Solves CSO Problems



*Sullivan's new CSO storage facility.*

Sullivan is a small city with big wastewater needs. Sullivan is a Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) community that treated its wastewater with a lagoon system. This system became outdated and unable to meet its wastewater needs. Sullivan approached the Wastewater SRF Loan Program as it considered constructing a new wastewater treatment plant.

This fall, Sullivan will substantially complete the construction of a new mechanical wastewater treatment facility capable of treating an average daily flow of 2.1 million gallons per day (MGD) and daily peak flow of 5.25 MGD. The project will also convert their existing lagoons into CSO storage for approximately 39.6 million gallons. The Wastewater SRF Loan Program provided a \$7 Million loan, which over the 20-year life of the loan will provide \$1,258,636 in interest rate savings when compared to an open market loan.

## Timely use of Funds in Brookston, Indiana



*Brookston's new pressure filtration units.*

At over 40 years old, the Brookston water treatment plant had many needs: corrosion had caused some components to be taken out of service, the electrical equipment was outdated and the plant layout made operation difficult. In addition, the treatment plant had no back up power. The town also identified some water mains that needed replaced due to age and some dead ends that were causing flow and pressure issues.

In response, Brookston closed a \$1.37 million Drinking Water SRF Loan and received a grant through the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to construct a new 600 gallon per minute water filtration plant, replace and loop about 4,600 feet of water main, and install a back up generator. These improvements were imperative for the town to continue producing quality drinking water. The Drinking Water SRF Loan Program also awarded Brookston a Small System Technical Assistance Fund grant of \$25,000 for planning and design costs.

Most impressively, the town closed its SRF Loan at the end of May 2007 and had the project bid, constructed and substantially completed by October 2007 – a very timely use of funds.

Great work!

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