

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
AND PUBLIC MEETING
STATE OF NEBRASKA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY (NDEE)
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL (EQC)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-1411 and Executive Order No. 20-03, the EQC will hold a web meeting with a public hearing on June 25, 2020 beginning at 10:00 A.M. Central Time (CT). The meeting and hearing will be conducted electronically via web meeting. Public and media should send an email by June 24, 2020 to NDEE.eqc@nebraska.gov to attend the web meeting. The meeting agenda and a draft copy of the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 State Revolving Fund Clean Water and Drinking Water Intended Use Plan (2021 IUP) scheduled for hearing are available on the NDEE website at <http://dee.ne.gov>. The purpose of the hearing is to take testimony about the proposed amendment of the 2021 IUP as outlined in this notice.

All interested persons may attend the web meeting and testify during the public hearing. Interested persons should provide notice in advance of intent to attend the meeting or testify at the hearing by sending an email to NDEE.eqc@nebraska.gov not later than 3:00 P.M. CT, June 24, 2020. Interested persons may also submit written comments online to NDEE.eqc@nebraska.gov prior to the hearing, which will be entered into the hearing record if received not later than 3:00 P.M. CT, June 24, 2020.

Please notify the NDEE at least one week in advance of the EQC meeting if auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations or alternate formats of materials are needed. Contact phone number is 402-471-2186. TDD users call 800-833-7352 and ask the relay operator to call us at 402-471-2186.

A public hearing will be held on the following:

1. The proposed 2021 IUP and Project Priority Lists for determining loan recipients under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). This document is developed by the NDEE, with DWSRF priority system and list as provided by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health. The proposed 2021 IUP is presented to the EQC in compliance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-15,152, Neb. Rev. Stat. §71-5321, Title 131 – Rules and Regulations for Wastewater Treatment Facilities and Drinking Water Construction Assistance Program, and the federal Clean Water and Safe Drinking Water Acts. The proposed 2021 IUP describes how Nebraska intends to use money available in the two funds for making loans to qualified recipients for assistance in construction needs. The 2021 IUP includes a Project Priority Rating System and Fiscal Year 2021 Funding List for each of the funds, and an Interest Rate System. The purpose of the hearing is to accept public testimony and EQC approval of the 2021 IUP. The EQC will vote to adopt, amend or modify the 2021 IUP after hearing and considering all the testimony and written submissions.