

Recipient: City of Aurora

Project: East Mesabi Joint Water System

Award Date: August 13, 2024

PFA Award Total: \$24,847,318

Description: The Project consists of construction of a new drinking water treatment plant, water intake and transmission lines to serve the City of Aurora and White Township.

Project Funding:

Entity	Funding Source	PFA Funding ID	Amount
PFA	Drinking Water SRF-Loan <i>(30 years at 2.302%, estimated savings to recipient is \$2,310,297)</i>	MPFA-DWRF-L-026-FY25	\$12,347,318
	Drinking Water SRF-Principal Forgiveness Grant	MPFA-DWRF-G-026-FY25	\$5,000,000
	SPAP 2018 Aurora, Hoyt ,Biwabik, White-DW	MPFA-SPAP-G-027-FY25	2,500,000
	SPAP 2020 Aurora-East Range JPB-Water System	MPFA-SPAP-G-028-FY25	5,000,000
	County - Community Dvlp Block Grant Program		\$150,000
Local State	Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board		\$1,500,000
Federal	Federal-other		\$6,500,000
Total MPFA Project Costs:			\$32,997,318

More about the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority and its Programs:

The Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA) provides financing and technical assistance to help communities build public infrastructure that protects public health and the environment and promotes economic growth.

Drinking Water Revolving Fund (also known as the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund or DWSRF) :

The DWSRF is supported by federal capitalization grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and state matching funds. These funds, together with PFA revenue bond proceeds, are used to make low interest loans to cities throughout the state for drinking water infrastructure projects. Loan repayments revolve back to make new loans, providing a permanent source of low-interest capital to help cities finance drinking water infrastructure projects. Since its start in 1999, Minnesota's DWSRF has awarded more than 433 loans for over \$982 million, providing over \$188 million in interest savings to local governments and their taxpayers. A portion of federal DWSRF funds are provided as principal forgiveness grants based on established affordability criteria.