

Agency 084 - DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

The Department's statutory responsibilities are based on the Nebraska Environmental Protection Act as well as numerous other statutory programs. (Nebraska Revised Statutes 81-1501; 13-2001; 46-656.01; 46-1101; 46-1301; 60-363; 66-1501; 69-2001; 77-27,149; 81-1534; 81-1578; 81-15,117; 81-15,128; 81-15,147; 81-15,158.01; 81-15,166; 81-15,167; 13-1701; 81-15,181; 81-15,191; 54-2401; 46-1501; 81-15,177; 69-2501; 25-21,254; 71-5314; 81-15,236; 46-2,139) In addition, the Environmental Quality Council, the agency's rulemaking body, has promulgated numerous rules and regulations to guide implementation of statutory provisions

VISION:

The vision of the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality is to fulfill the intent of the Legislature in the agency's creation; to protect each element of Nebraska's environment, air, land, and water. In achieving the agency's vision the department will cooperate with other states and the federal government in a manner that is responsive to Nebraska's citizens.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

The mission of the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) is to fulfill the role described by the Nebraska Legislature in Section 81-1501:

To accomplish this mission, the Legislature granted the Department the authority to perform certain tasks including issuing permits, inspecting facilities, assuring compliance with standards and regulations and requiring remediation where necessary. These basic tasks are best accomplished by assembling an effective workforce which is organized and trained to carry out the agency's responsibilities. In situations where it is most effective and efficient the Department collaborates with other entities, uses private contractors, and utilizes other creative approaches.

GOALS:

The Department will pursue the following goals:

Effective workforce, Timely permitting process, Balanced enforcement, Simplify regulations, Community presence and relations, "Back to the basics", Assistance, Measure Environmental Quality, Meaningful Reporting and Assess Needs

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Financial Data

	FY10 Actual	FY11 Approp	FY12 Request	FY12 Recomm	FY13 Request	FY13 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	3,398,833	3,264,821	3,267,629	3,279,921	3,270,479	3,323,012
Cash Fund	14,162,539	15,532,516	15,535,766	15,569,083	15,539,066	15,677,280
Federal Fund	17,882,070	15,785,009	15,803,753	15,835,316	15,822,782	15,965,308
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations Funding	35,443,442	34,582,346	34,607,148	34,684,320	34,632,327	34,965,600
Aid Funding						
General Fund	3,341,426	4,304,996	3,138,396	2,966,248	2,946,846	2,774,698
Cash Fund	13,126,841	16,900,000	16,950,000	16,950,000	15,200,000	15,200,000
Federal Fund	44,415,217	13,905,000	13,905,000	13,905,000	13,905,000	13,905,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	60,883,485	35,109,996	33,993,396	33,821,248	32,051,846	31,879,698
Total Funding						
General Fund	6,740,260	7,569,817	6,406,025	6,246,169	6,217,325	6,097,710
Cash Fund	27,289,380	32,432,516	32,485,766	32,519,083	30,739,066	30,877,280
Federal Fund	62,297,286	29,690,009	29,708,753	29,740,316	29,727,782	29,870,308
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	96,326,927	69,692,342	68,600,544	68,505,568	66,684,173	66,845,298

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Program 513 - ADMINISTRATION

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Program 513 contains the department's operating budget for water quality, land quality and air quality. Included are all staffing and operations resources as well as most department aid programs. Aid programs not included in Program 513 are the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

The Department is dedicated to its legislative purposes of ensuring and protecting the quality of the natural environment both today and for future generations. Nebraska statutes direct the department to address contamination problems created in the past, assure that current activities are conducted in accordance with recognized principles of sound environmental management, and enhance the environment of the future by taking the opportunity for pollution prevention. This program identifies funding necessary to accomplish our mission.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

	FY 10 Actual	FY 11 Current	FY12 Request	FY13 Request
NPDES Permits	146	250	125	130
NPDES Inspections	270	270	300	280
Groundwater Reviews	572	500	500	500
Livestock Permits	161	165	180	392
Livestock Inspections	1151	1085	1120	1120
Air Monitoring Sites Showing Exceedences	<10	<10	<10	<10
Air Permits Average Days to Public Notice	<120	<120	<120	<120
Tank Investigations Initiated	28	50	50	50
Waste Reduction Grants	69	69	150	150
Landfill Inspections	96	96	96	96

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Program 513 - ADMINISTRATION

Financial Data

	FY10 Actual	FY11 Approp	FY12 Request	FY12 Recomm	FY13 Request	FY13 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	3,398,833	3,264,821	3,267,629	3,279,921	3,270,479	3,323,012
Cash Fund	14,162,539	15,532,516	15,535,766	15,569,083	15,539,066	15,677,280
Federal Fund	17,882,070	15,785,009	15,803,753	15,835,316	15,822,782	15,965,308
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations Funding	35,443,442	34,582,346	34,607,148	34,684,320	34,632,327	34,965,600
Aid Funding						
General Fund	3,341,426	4,304,996	3,138,396	2,966,248	2,946,846	2,774,698
Cash Fund	12,403,042	15,200,000	13,500,000	13,500,000	13,500,000	13,500,000
Federal Fund	1,675,276	265,000	265,000	265,000	265,000	265,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	17,419,745	19,769,996	16,903,396	16,731,248	16,711,846	16,539,698
Total Funding						
General Fund	6,740,260	7,569,817	6,406,025	6,246,169	6,217,325	6,097,710
Cash Fund	26,565,581	30,732,516	29,035,766	29,069,083	29,039,066	29,177,280
Federal Fund	19,557,345	16,050,009	16,068,753	16,100,316	16,087,782	16,230,308
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program	52,863,187	54,352,342	51,510,544	51,415,568	51,344,173	51,505,298

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Program 523 - WASTEWATER LOAN FUND

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Nebraska Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) program provides low interest loans and small community matching grants to municipalities for construction of wastewater treatment facilities and sanitary sewer collection systems to alleviate public health and environmental problems.

The loan principal repayments go into new loans and interest earnings on the Fund is used 1) to pay off the state match bond issues and 2) to make new loans.

This program has accumulated assets of over \$195 million. There are 198 loans outstanding with a loan balance of over \$165 million. The program also has \$37 million in loan obligations.

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PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

	FY10 Actual	FY11 Current	FY12 Request	FY13 Request
Intended Use Plan	1	1	1	1
Annual Report	1	1	1	1
Loan Forgiveness	11	20	15	15
Loans Made	22	20	15	15
\$ Committed	51,000,000	31,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000
STGs Made	3	5	3	4
Planning Grants	0	10	10	10

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Program 523 - WASTEWATER LOAN FUND

Financial Data

	FY10 Actual	FY11 Approp	FY12 Request	FY12 Recomm	FY13 Request	FY13 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations Funding	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	723,799	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
Federal Fund	13,841,217	5,140,000	5,140,000	5,140,000	5,140,000	5,140,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	14,565,016	6,340,000	6,340,000	6,340,000	6,340,000	6,340,000
Total Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	723,799	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
Federal Fund	13,841,217	5,140,000	5,140,000	5,140,000	5,140,000	5,140,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program	14,565,016	6,340,000	6,340,000	6,340,000	6,340,000	6,340,000

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Program 528 - DRINKING WATER LOAN FUND

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Nebraska Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program is jointly administered by agreement between the NDEQ and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health. The program provides low interest loans and loan forgiveness to owners of public water supply systems for construction or storage, wells, distribution, and treatment.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund receives annual federal capitalization grants and obtains the required 20% state match through Nebraska Investment Finance Authority (NIFA) revenue bonds, gives low interest loans, pays off bonds with interest earnings on loans and will be self-sustaining. The DWSRF is unique in that loans may be awarded to privately owned public water systems. Other program differences include the availability of 30% loan forgiveness, and set-asides for program administration, technical assistance, wellhead protection, capacity development, and operator certification.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

	FY10 Actual	FY11 Current	FY12 Request	FY13 Request
Intended Use Plan	1	1	1	1
Annual Report	1	1	1	1
Audit	1	1	1	1
Loans Made	28	32	12	15
\$ Committed	25,000,000	37,000,000	15,000,000	17,000,000
Loan Forgiveness	24	35	10	12

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Program 528 - DRINKING WATER LOAN FUND

Financial Data

	FY10 Actual	FY11 Approp	FY12 Request	FY12 Recomm	FY13 Request	FY13 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations Funding	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	500,000	2,250,000	2,250,000	500,000	500,000
Federal Fund	28,898,724	8,500,000	8,500,000	8,500,000	8,500,000	8,500,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	28,898,724	9,000,000	10,750,000	10,750,000	9,000,000	9,000,000
Total Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	500,000	2,250,000	2,250,000	500,000	500,000
Federal Fund	28,898,724	8,500,000	8,500,000	8,500,000	8,500,000	8,500,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program	28,898,724	9,000,000	10,750,000	10,750,000	9,000,000	9,000,000