



**DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE  
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Oepke Niemeyer, Mayor  
City of Brookings  
520 3rd St Ste. 230  
Brookings SD 57006

RE: ARPA Grant #2022G-ARP-117

The Honorable Niemeyer:

During the 2024 Legislative Session Senate Bill 53 was passed, which appropriates \$89,384,221 of American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds for water and sewer infrastructure. These funds will be awarded by the Board of Water and Natural Resources to eligible projects. The Board of Water and Natural Resources has determined that eligible projects for consideration are those that received a previous ARPA grant, that provide service to a regional area, and have eligible costs remaining for reimbursement can request consideration for these funds.

On April 13, 2022 the City of Brookings was awarded a \$21,039,300 ARPA grant #2022G-ARP-117. Based on the Board's eligible projects your project would be eligible to receive up to \$9,000,000 in additional ARPA grant funds.

To receive this additional funding the City of Brookings will need to submit a written request to the board for the additional funds and pass a revised resolution authorizing the additional funding. The Department would be pleased to assist in preparing any request for additional funds and share sample documents for your use. Please contact me at [Tina.McFarling@state.sd.us](mailto:Tina.McFarling@state.sd.us) or by phone at 605-773-4216. Your Planning District contact listed below will also be able to assist in preparing this request.

Requests for additional ARPA grant fund consideration are due by May 24, 2024.

Sincerely,

Tina McFarling, P.E.  
Program Administrator  
Environmental Funding Program

cc: First District Association of Local Government, Watertown  
HDR, Inc, Sioux Falls