

# WISCONSIN'S FEDERAL WATER FUNDING

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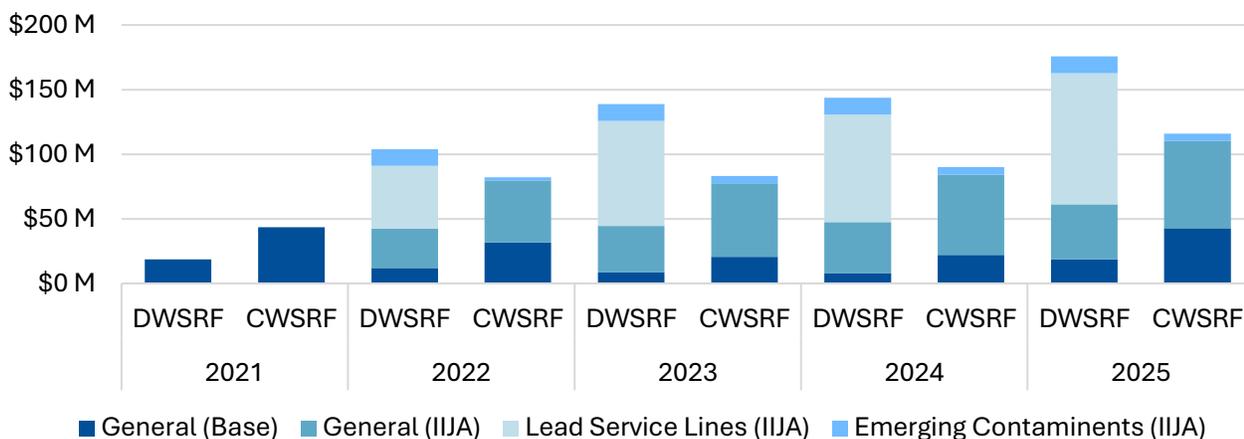


The EPA's Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Funds (DWSRF and CWSRF) represent the nation's largest federal investment in drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, enabling states to better meet urgent water system needs in their communities. In recent years, \$934 million in SRF funds has helped Wisconsin address a portion of its \$23.8 billion in infrastructure investment needs.

## Wisconsin has relied on \$934 million in SRF support since 2022

Since 2022, Wisconsin has been allotted **\$562 million** for the state's DWSRF, including **\$314 million** to replace lead pipelines, and **\$371 million** for the state's CWSRF. These funds have supported local projects including the replacement of thousands of lead service lines (LSLs) throughout the state including an estimated 2,511 in Milwaukee, and the modernization of the City of La Crosse's Isle La Plume Wastewater Treatment Facility, upgrading infrastructure from the 1930s to ensure reliable service. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is receiving an [estimated \\$22.9 million](#) set-aside to support program administration.

### Federal support for the SRFs has increased since 2022



An additional \$43 billion was appropriated for the SRFs by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and is being distributed annually between 2022 and 2026.

Source: [Water Program Portal's](#) Outcome Dashboard and EPA's State DWSRF and CWSRF Allotments (2022-2025).

## \$23.8 billion in future water infrastructure needs

Per the latest [Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey and Assessment](#) and [Clean Watershed Needs Survey](#), Wisconsin is anticipated to need **\$11.8 billion** in drinking water investments and **\$12 billion** in wastewater investments over the next two decades. The federal investments over the last four years help address **3.9 percent** of this gap, but further funding is required to maintain the state's water systems.