




LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENTS UNDER THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW

Program Overview with Questions & Answers

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BIL LSL Funding Overview

- The BIL LSL allocation amount for FFY 2026/SFY 2027, is \$94,312,000 plus \$852,000 in reallocated funds.
- In addition, funds that are released from the SFY 2026 list and from project closeouts will be rolled forward.
- There will only be reallocated funding available after SFY 2027, small amounts potentially for several years.
- Starting in SFY 2028 the BIL LSL Program will only fund private side replacements. Public side replacements can still be funded by the base SDWLP.

General Principles of LSL funding

- 49% of LSL cap grants must be awarded as principal forgiveness (PF) to disadvantaged municipalities or projects in disadvantaged census tracts
- Remainder of LSL cap grant must be used for set-asides and loans
- PF cannot be awarded if the loan/set-aside funds are not utilized
- This does not mean that all projects receive 49% PF; the split is applied to the funding as a whole



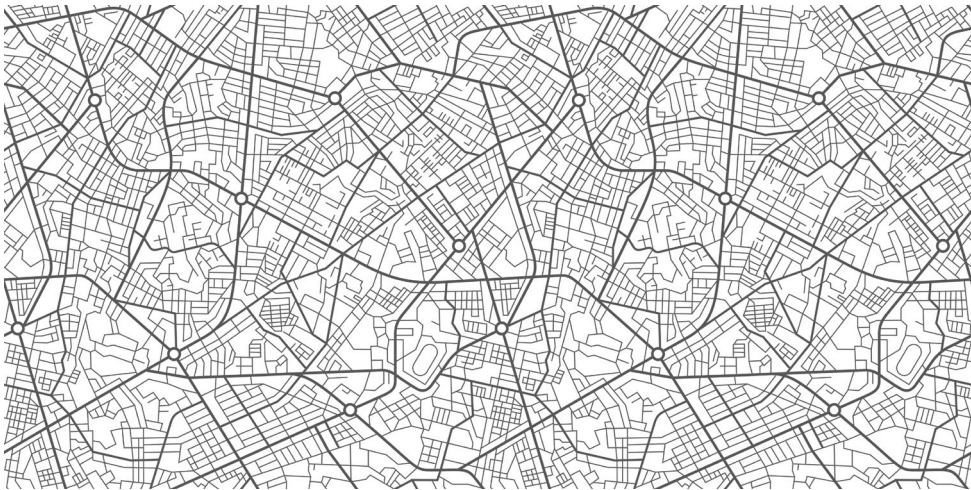
LSL Program Basics

- Applications for SFY 2027 funding due June 30, 2026
- Note that for SFY 2028 funding, the Intent to Apply deadline will likely be shifted. More information on that will be available this summer
- Applications for LSL replacement and/or inventory work submitted separately from watermain projects, even if related (can't fund inventory without a capitol component)
- Any municipality can apply (must be a community water system), but PF can only be awarded to disadvantaged municipalities or projects in disadvantaged census tracts
- Galvanized lines that are, or have been, confirmed downstream of lead, brass service lines, & lead goosenecks all considered LSLs
- All property types eligible - possible tax implications for non-residential properties



Project Scoring

- Projects will be scored three ways:
 - **LSL specific scoring** – for ranking projects to allocate PF & loan funds from LSL cap grant (see pgs. 21-23 of draft SDWLP IUP or form 8700-383)
 - **Modified disadvantaged scoring** to determine eligible PF % for private side construction & filter costs (see pgs. 23-24 of draft SDWLP IUP)
 - **Regular SDWLP disadvantaged criteria scoring** to determine eligible PF % for remaining costs (see pgs. 14-15 of draft SDWLP IUP)



- Weighting of data for projects in multiple disadvantaged census tracts may be done by census tract population or by number of LSLs to be replaced (if by number of LSLs, locations & number of LSLs must be known at time of application)
- **Census tract** is smallest unit that can be scored (block groups can be used in some circumstances)

LSL-Specific Scoring

Scores based on:

- Percentage of LSLs in System (5 - 40 pts)
 - Using data from the LCRR inventories
- Family Poverty Percentage (pts = to poverty %)
- Lowest Quintile Income (0 – 20 pts)
- Percent of Population Under Age 5 (10 – 30 pts)
- Lead Sampling Results or Large System Optimization (0 – 50 pts)
- Whether all remaining LSL will be removed by project (20 pts)
- Municipal Population (tie-breaker only)

LSL PERF – form 8700-383 – submit with application

- **If LSL PERF is not submitted with application, project will receive a priority score of zero**



Disadvantaged Score & Eligible PF Percentage

- Private side PF percent determined using tables 2, 3, 5, & 6 of disadvantaged criteria (No population or population trends)

Points from Tables 2, 3, 5, 6	Qualified PF %
0-39	No PF
40-64	25%
65-104	50%
105-134	75%
135-245	100%

- PF for remaining costs uses municipality's disadvantaged score from tables 1-6

- Due to BIL requiring exactly 49% of LSL cap grants to be awarded as PF, an exact % cannot be determined until all applications are received.

Points from Tables 1-6	Qualified PF %
0-59	No PF
60-69	10%
70-79	15%
80-94	20%
95-109	25%
110-124	30%
125-139	35%
140-154	40%
155-169	45%
170-184	50%
185-199	55%
200-249	60%
250-360	65%

Allocation of Funds

- LSL PF for **private** side replacements allocated first, in order of LSL-specific priority score (**construction & filter costs only**) with a **cap of 25% of total PF available**. (Water systems with more than 25% of the state's total LSLs will have a cap equal to their percentage of the total.)
 - If any PF remains after the first pass, a second pass will be made, **without a cap**, in LSL-specific priority order to continue to allocate private side PF.
- If any LSL PF remains after two passes, allocation will move to **remaining costs**, in order of LSL-specific priority score.
- After all PF allocated, LSL loan funds will be allocated in LSL priority score order.
 - Loan funds from the LSL cap grant - 0.25% interest rate
 - Any loan funding beyond the LSL cap grant at regular SDWLP rates



Available Pledge Options for LSL Loans

	Water Revenue Pledge	General Obligation Note Pledge	Alternative Revenue Pledge
	Public Replacements	Public & Private Replacements	Private Replacements Only
PSC Approval	Not Required for Public Replacements, Required for <u>any</u> private costs	Not Required	Not Required
Municipal Bond	Non-Taxable if only public costs included	Taxable	Taxable
Reimbursement Resolution	Required if tax-exempt	Not Required	Not Required
Disbursement at Loan Closing	Required if tax-exempt	Not Required	Not Required
18-month Rule for Reimbursements	Does Apply if tax-exempt	Does Not Apply	Does Not Apply
Loan Term	20 years	10 years but can go up to 20 if requested	12 years
Mandatory Replacement Ordinance	Not Required	Not Required**	Required*

* Alternative Revenue Pledge also requires an ordinance creating the loan program

** Ordinance may be required in some circumstances

Federal Requirements



All projects must:

- Pass **environmental review** screening for all locations
- Solicit for **disadvantaged businesses** at all levels of contracting or when advertising RFQs
- Comply with Enhancing Public Awareness of SRF Assistance Agreements (signage requirement)
- Comply with **Davis-Bacon & Related Acts**
 - Required for all municipal contracts & prequalified lists – Heavy Wage Determination applies
- Comply with Build America, Buy America (**BABA**) procurement requirements
 - Projects funded by Financial Assistance Agreements under \$250,000 are exempt under Small Projects Waiver
- Comply with any applicable **Federal Equivalency** requirements
 - Complete list of equivalency requirements available on our website
 - Includes **Single Audit Act & Debarment** requirements

Contracting Options for LSL Replacements



- **Municipally-bid contract**

- Familiar process for most municipalities
- Best way to get a large number of replacements done quickly
- Davis-Bacon always applies – Heavy wage determination should be used, even if just replacing private side LSLs

- **Prequalified List**

- Municipality issues Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to establish the list. Needs to include certification that all federal requirements will be followed. (BABA & Davis-Bacon)
- DBE solicitation applies to advertising the RFQ
- Good option for smaller municipalities with fewer LSLs or for spot replacements
- **Davis-Bacon applies to all property types, regardless of ownership**

LSL Set-Asides

- **Inventory Technical Assistance** – DNR has a contract with Jacobs Engineering to provide inventory technical assistance to water systems.
 - Prioritizing small water systems but will be expanding to larger systems
 - Potholing assistance is planned to be offered in the near future
 - Information can be found on this website:
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/DrinkingWater/LSLTechAssistance.html>
- **Community Outreach Grants** – DNR is offering grants to municipal water systems with planned or on-going LSL replacements to partner with local community-based organizations to conduct outreach in support of LSL replacements.
 - 2nd application has closed. No more application cycles are anticipated.
 - Information can be found on this website:
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/DrinkingWater/LSLROutreachGrant.html>

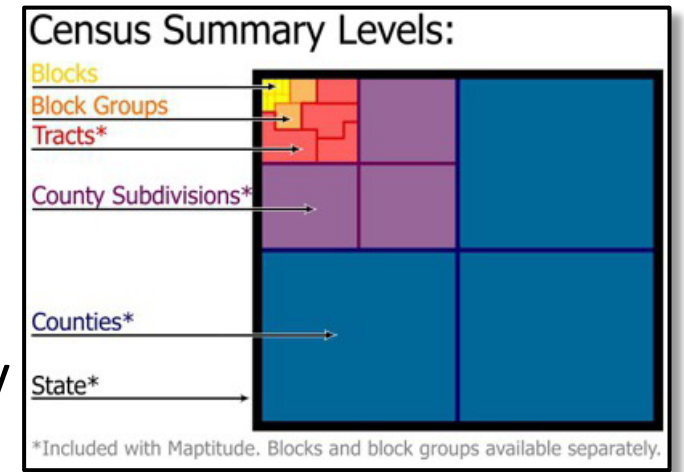
Targeted Census Tract Projects

- One way to score projects is using Census Tracts instead of a municipality's data from the Data Sources webpage
- This can adjust the score in several ways, but it requires more input to determine a project area
- Tracts could be most useful when a municipality wants to focus LSL replacements on the most disadvantaged areas



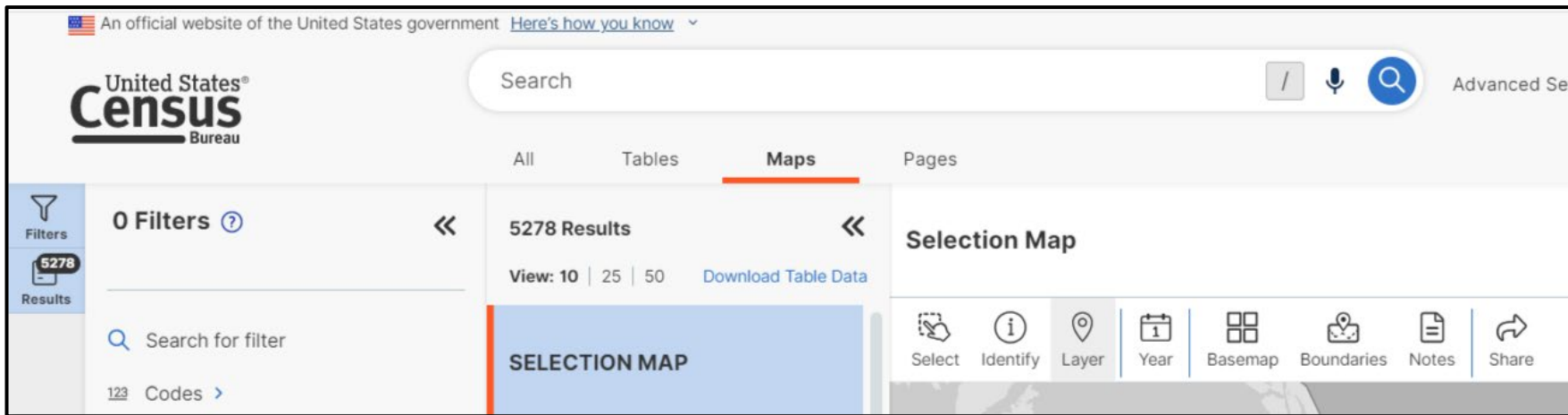
Census Tracts: Overview

- The Census has many levels of data including Tracts
 - Tracts are small, relatively permanent subdivisions of a county
 - Population ranges between 1,200 and 8,000, but the ideal size is around 4,000
 - Census tracts contain both Blocks and Block groups
- We use Tracts because the majority of data for PF scoring is found at the Tract level at the lowest
 - MHI is found at the block group level but requires you to know how many LSLs will be replaced in each block group. Using block group MHI may take a **substantial** amount of work, please be wary of using it.

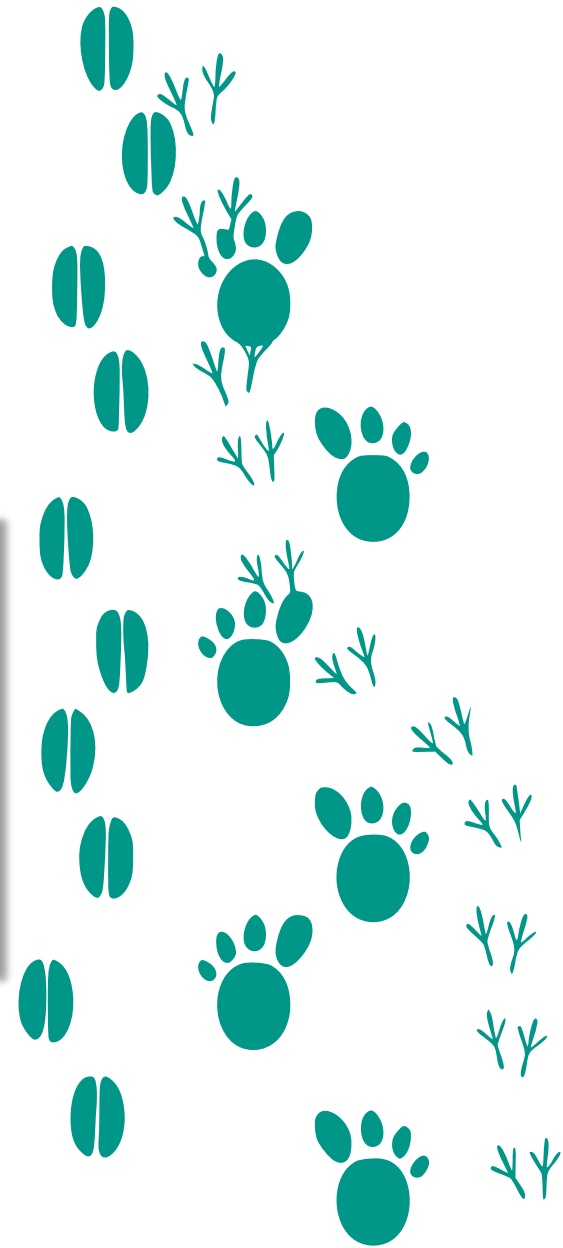


Finding Your Tracts

- Census Data website: <https://data.census.gov/advanced>
- Navigate to the Maps tab and select Layer

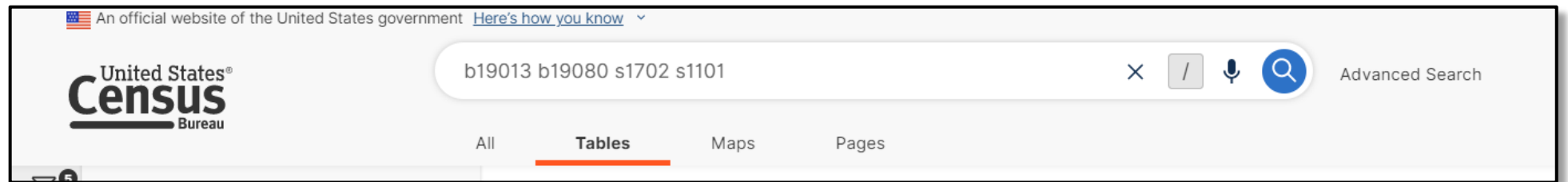


- Select Tracts, and find your municipality



Finding your Data

- First, make sure you have at least one tract selected. It helps to just use one to get used to the Census at the start.
- Next, in the search field, enter the tables you want to use
 - MHI: **B19013**
 - LQI: **B19080**
 - Family Poverty %: **S1702**
 - Households: **S1101** (*only used to calculate a population weight*)
- Move over to the Tables tab to review your data!
- Make sure to use the most recent American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year data



Calculating a Score: Single Tract

- The census data you find will help you calculate a score
 - Calculation descriptions are available in the SDW IUPs
 - Other data, such as Unemployment, can be found on our [Data Sources page](#)
- Remember that this score is just an estimate, and the program will make a final determination on PF score



Calculating a Score: Multiple Tracts

- Using multiple tracts is possible, but it requires more work to calculate a score
- You must calculate a population-based weight, either based on the number of LSLs replaced in each tract, or based on population in each tract
 - This is so each tract is given adequate weight in the score.
- Once you have a population weight, you weigh the data and sum it to get a weighted score.



Example: Manitowoc, WI

- Manitowoc is like many municipalities where some tracts are disadvantaged while others are not.
- Using ACS 2023 5-year data, tract 5 and tract 8 are excellent examples
- Link: [Manitowoc ACS 2024 5-Year: Tracts 5 and 8 data](#)



Example: Manitowoc, Census Screenshot

The screenshot displays the United States Census Bureau's data tool interface. At the top, the search bar contains the text "b19013 b19080 s1702 s1101". Below the search bar, there are navigation tabs for "All", "Tables", "Maps", "Charts", "Profiles", and "Pages". The "Maps" tab is currently selected. On the left side, there is a sidebar with a "Filters" icon and a "Results" icon. The sidebar shows "4 Results" and a "View: 10 | 25 | 50" option. Below this, there is a "SELECTION MAP" section with four results listed:

- American Community Survey **S1101** | Households and Families
View All 15 Products
- American Community Survey **S1702** | Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families
View All 15 Products
- American Community Survey **B19013** | Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months (in 2024 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars)
View All 18 Products
- American Community Survey **B19080** | Household Income Quintile Upper Limits
View All 15 Products

The main map area is titled "Census Tract Geographies" and shows a map of Manitowoc, WI. The map displays several census tracts, with tracts 1 through 8 highlighted in blue. The map also shows major roads like "WALDO BLVD", "CALUMET DR", and "CALUMET AVE". The word "MANITOWOC" is visible on the map. In the top right corner of the map area, there is a "Census Tract Geographies" label with a link icon. Below the map, there are various icons for "Select", "Clear Geos", "Layer", "Year", "Basemap", "Boundaries", "Identify", "GeoJSON", "Notes", "Print", and "Share".

Example: Manitowoc, Aggregate Data

Private side PF calculation examples

Using City of Manitowoc		
	Manitowoc	Points
MHI	82.28%	40
>MHI	63,757	
>WI MHI	77,485	
Family Poverty %	26.81%	40
>200% Families	2,372	
>Total Families	8,849	
*County Unemployment	2.88%	0
LQI	86.87%	0
>LQI	30,076	
>WI LQI	34,620	
	Total Points	80
	PF %	50%

Using Tracts and LSL Replacements				
	Tract 5	Tract 8	Net	Points
Lines replaced per tract	8	100		
<i>Population in tract</i>	2,974	3,876		
MHI	61.84%	106.53%	103.22%	15
>Tract MHI	47,917	82,545		
>WI MHI	77,485	77,485		
Family Poverty %	50.70%	25.85%	27.69%	40
>200% Families	360	274		
>Total Families	710	1060		
*County Unemployment	2.88%	2.88%		0
LQI	74.53%	117.82%	114.61%	0
>Tract LQI	25,801	40,789		
>WI LQI	34,620	34,620		
"Population" Sum	Tract 3 Weight	Tract 8 Weight	Total points	55
	108	7.41%	92.59%	PF %
				25%

Using Tracts and Household Population				
	Tract 5	Tract 8	Net	Points
Population	2,974	3,876		
<i>Number of households</i>	1209	1685		
<i>Average household size</i>	2.46	2.3		
MHI	61.84%	106.53%	87.13%	30
>Tract MHI	47,917	82,545		
>WI MHI	77,485	77,485		
Family Poverty %	50.70%	25.85%	36.64%	80
>200% Families	360	274		
>Total Families	710	1060		
*County Unemployment	2.88%	2.88%		0
LQI	74.53%	117.82%	99.02%	0
>Tract LQI	25,801	40,789		
>WI LQI	34,620	34,620		
Population Sum	Tract 3 Weight	Tract 8 Weight	Total Points	110
	6,850	43.42%	56.58%	PF %
				75%

Environmental Review

- Create a new application (ER automatically added with link)

SUMMARY

Municipality

Program Year

Application

Section	0520-24
Applicant Information	Edit
Financial Information	Edit
IRS Tax Related Information	Edit
Refinancing Transactions	Edit
Intermunicipal Agreements	Not Required
Project Information	Edit
Project Documentation	Edit
Project Budget	Edit
Water Rates	Edit
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Environmental Review Status **DRAFT**

Application Status



Karner Blue Butterfly



Rusty Patched Bumble Bee

For step-by-step guidance on the Environmental Review Process please visit [the SDWLP Environmental Review Guide](#).

Environmental Review

- Or select an existing review to edit









Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Financial Assistance Application System

Application **Environmental Review** Log Out

My Environmental Review

Environmental Review submissions are only required for Safe Drinking Water Loan Program applications.

Total record found:30 Refine Search:

Action	Municipality ↓	Program type	SFY	Status	Project No	Project Description	Start Date	Submitted on
	IXONIA, TOWN OF	SDWLP	2025	DRAFT		Projects - 1	05-20-2024	
	MILWAUKEE MSD	SDWLP	2025	DRAFT	0520-24	Testing Env Rev		
	MILWAUKEE MSD	SDWLP	2023	DRAFT	A707-23	SDW EMAIL TEST	02-22-2024	
	MILWAUKEE MSD	SDWLP	2025	DRAFT	B222 88889	two two 9999	03-10-2022	03-10-2022 9:07 PM
	MILWAUKEE MSD	SDWLP	2023	DRAFT	B707-23	SDW EMAIL TEST	02-23-2024	
	MILWAUKEE MSD	SDWLP	2023	DRAFT	B222-02	two two	03-10-2022	03-10-2022 7:17 PM
	TWO RIVERS, CITY OF	SDWLP	2025	DRAFT	0325-24	TESTING ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS	03-25-2024	
	WAUKESHA, CITY OF	SDWLP	2024	DRAFT	0506-24	Env Rev 3 Copy and Create	05-06-2024	



Ornate Box Turtle

Environmental Review: Section 1

Section 1: Project Information

Municipality IXONIA, TOWN OF

Program SDW

Year 2025

Status DRAFT

Application

Project No	Project Description	Construction Start Date	Construction End Date
0520-24	Testing Env Rev	06/01/2024	06/30/2024

Does this project involve ground, siding or roof disturbance?

YES NO

Will there be tree removal?

YES NO

Will there be building demolition?

YES NO

Will there be building rehabilitation?

YES NO

Has a state or federal agency, or certified firm, conducted a NEPA or NEPA-like environmental review for all or part of the project disturbance footprint(s)?

YES NO

Was the review completed for the entire project disturbance footprint or only a portion of it?

Entire Project Portion of the Project

Describe which portion of the project was reviewed, and submit the results of that review along with supporting documentation.

Select pdf (50MB Max):

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Northern Long-Eared Bat

Environmental Review: Section 2



Section 2: Environmental Review

A. The project(s) type is eligible for a Categorical Exclusion:

- i. Rehabilitation of existing facilities,
- ii. Replacement of existing water lines,
- iii. Construction of ancillary facilities adjacent to or on the same property as existing facilities,
- iv. Construction of new or minor ancillary facilities adjacent to or on the same property as existing facilities.

B. The municipality has indicated that all of the following are true:

- i. Project(s) that did not or are not expected to have a significant adverse effect on the quality of the human environment, individually or cumulatively.
- ii. Project(s) that did not or are not expected to have a significant adverse effect on any community including minority, low-income, and or any Federally-recognize Indian tribe.
- iii. Project(s) that did not or are not expected to cause significant public controversy.

Review Determination:

- i. Exempt (Categorical Exclusion Type 1:6.204(a)(2)(iii) and/OR(iv).)
 - ii. Categorical Exclusion (Categorical Exclusion Type 2:6.204(a)(1).)-No Construction Requirements
 - iii. Categorical Exclusion (Categorical Exclusion Type 2:6.204(a)(1).)-Construction Requirements
 - iv. Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)(Environmental assessments. 6.205)-No Construction Requirements
 - v. Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)(Environmental assessments. 6.205)-Construction Requirements
 - vi. Environmental Impact Statement(EIS) - WDNR Environmental Analysis and Sustainability program(EAS)
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Environmental Review: Section 3 Site Information



Section 3: Project Site Information

Locations

Provide the disturbance footprint(s) location.



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Current Land Use
Description:

Habitat Description:

Total Area (acres):

Enter acres

Environmental Review: Section 4 Biological Resources



Section 4: Environmental Impact Summary

Biological Resources

Required: If you do NHI Public Portal and it comes back with “An ER Review is needed to ensure compliance” send that report to DNRRERReview@wi.gov and upload the pdf of the response.



Required: Because this project is federally funded an Information for Planning and Consultation review (IPaC) through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is required to be submitted by the applicant. Please utilize the attached link to complete this action: [IPaC: Home \(fws.gov\)](https://www.fws.gov/ipac).

* If you checked Yes to Has a state or federal agency or certified firm conducted a NEPA or NEPA-like environmental review in section 1, you may skip the IPaC requirement.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Endangered Resource Review	

Endangered Resources Review - Submit the NHI Public Portal Preliminary Assessment Results. [NHI portal](#)

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Environmental Review: Section 4 Biological Resources (cont.)



- If NHI Preliminary Assessment results in further action required, please follow instructions and request a review from Endangered Resources Review (ERR) Team at dnrerrreview@wisconsin.gov. Upload any correspondence with ERR or documentation.
- Since a portion of the project is federally funded, an IPAC assessment is required. The IPAC can be completed at <https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/>. Upload the full report and determination keys assessments to the application.
- After the application has been submitted, any additional documentation can be uploaded or sent to the ER specialist at dnrcfelenvironmentalreview@wisconsin.gov.

Environmental Review: Section 4 Historic Resources



Historic Resources

Documentation

- DNR Approval
- SHPO Approval

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Archaeological/Historical Review - Submit a 7.5 minute, 1:24,000 max scale USGS topo map(s) clearly delineating the disturbance footprint(s). [Surface Water Data Viewer](#)

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Environmental Review: Section 4 Historic Resources (cont.)



- DNR Approval is required. Wisconsin Historical Society's State Preservation Office (SPHO) may need to authorize a Request to Disturb. The Request to Disturb authorization is good for one year and can be extended with permission from SPHO.
- Municipal wide LSLR projects – We ask the applicant to narrow down the project area as specific as possible on the topographic map(s). If there are known burial grounds or historical areas and those areas will not be included in the project area, please exclude them from the map(s). This helps to speed up the ER review process during archeological/historical review.
- Please upload any correspondence and authorizations from Wisconsin Historical Society's SPHO to application or send to ER Specialist at [dnrcfelenvironmentalreview@wisconsin.gov](mailto:dnrcefenvironmentalreview@wisconsin.gov)

Environmental Review: Section 4 Water Resources



Floodplains/Waterway/Wetland

If project construction intersects a [Waterway](#) or [Wetland](#) you may need a permit for your project. Please be aware of this potential requirement and utilize the links provided to learn more about these permits and how they relate to your project.



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Submit a wetlands/waterways map(s) clearly delineating the disturbance footprint(s). [Surface Water Data Viewer](#)

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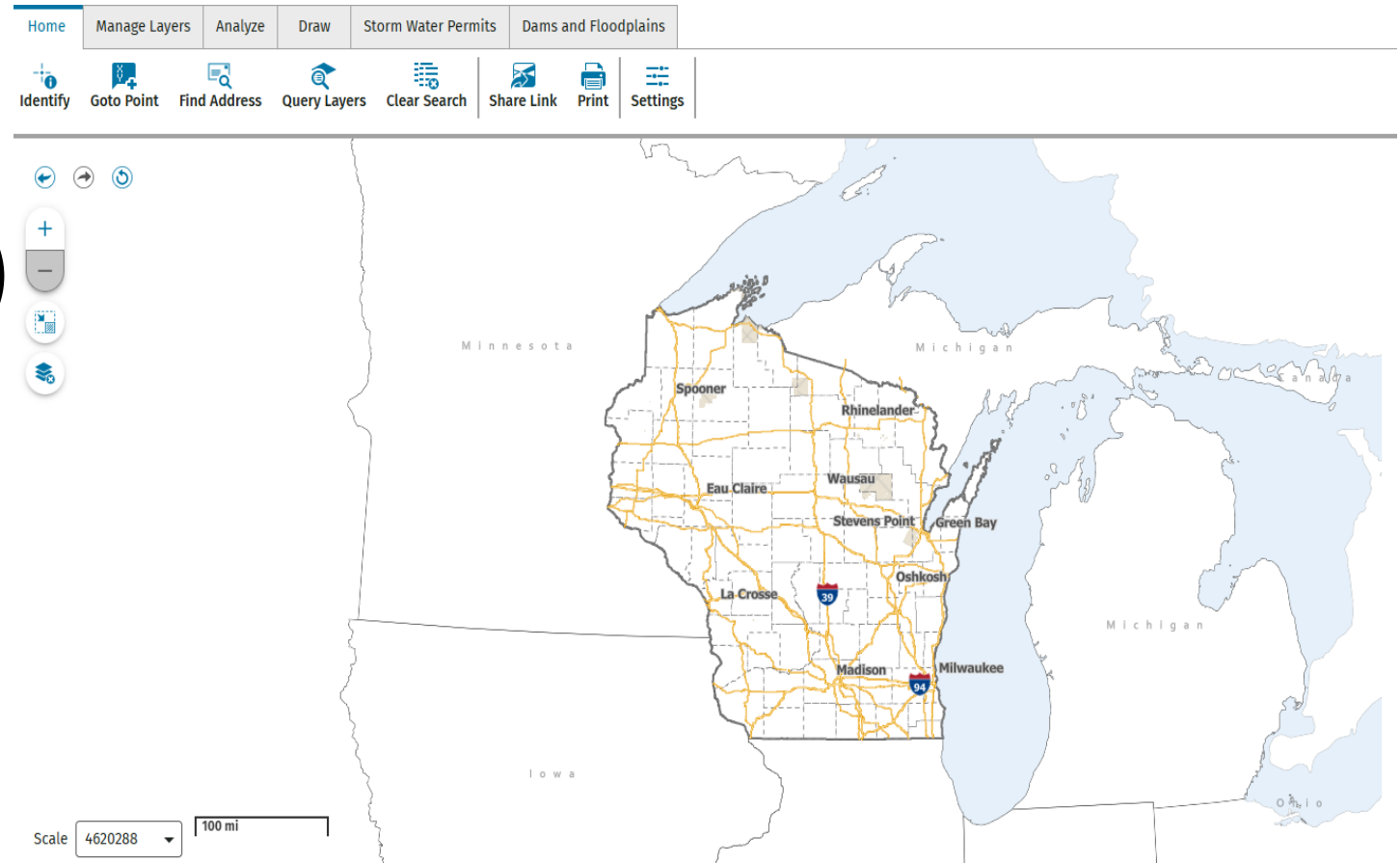
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Submit a floodplain map(s) clearly delineating the disturbance footprint(s). [Surface Water Data Viewer](#)

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Environmental Review: Section 4 Water Resources (cont.)



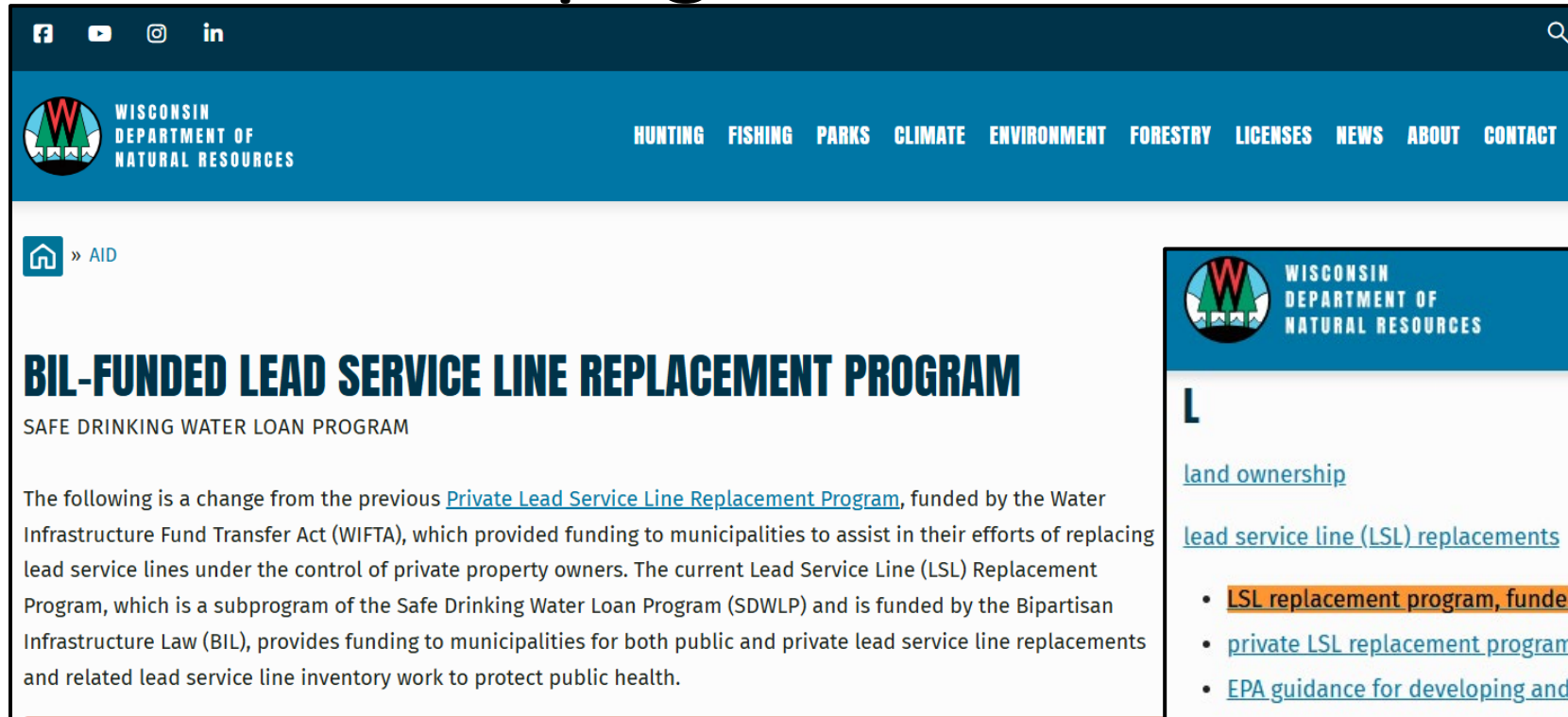
- On May 18, 2026, the WDNR announced an enhancement update to the [Surface Water Data Viewer \(SWDV\)](#)
- Most floodplain layers and search tools were removed from the SWDV and are now available in the [Storm Water, Waterway, and Wetland Permit \(SW4P\) Viewer](#).
- Further information and updates to our Environmental Review guidance for applicants are coming soon. In the meantime, if you have questions, please email the ER team at [dnrcfeenvironmentalreview@wisconsin.gov](mailto:dnrcefenvironmentalreview@wisconsin.gov)

Environmental Review: Section 4 Other Considerations

- Important Farmland
 - Air Quality
 - Socio-Economic Issues
 - No longer required
 - Public Notice
 - New Environmental Review Public Notices webpage
- <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/erpn>



BIL LSL Webpage



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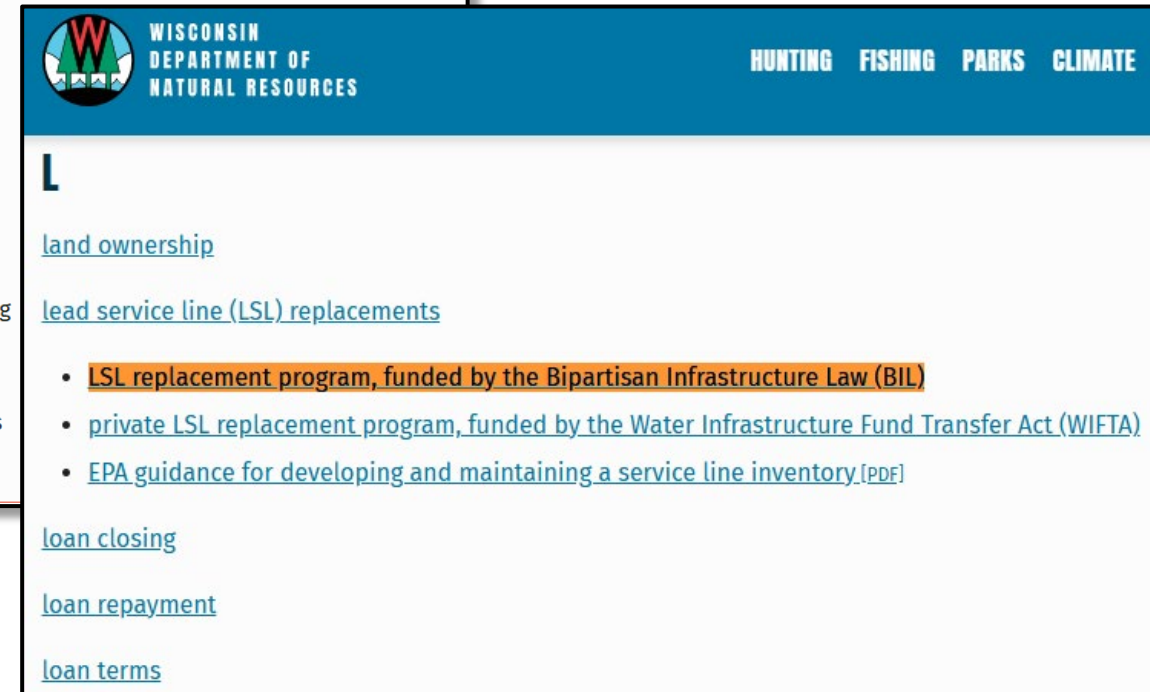
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BIL-FUNDED LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM

The following is a change from the previous [Private Lead Service Line Replacement Program](#), funded by the Water Infrastructure Fund Transfer Act (WIFTA), which provided funding to municipalities to assist in their efforts of replacing lead service lines under the control of private property owners. The current Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program, which is a subprogram of the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP) and is funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), provides funding to municipalities for both public and private lead service line replacements and related lead service line inventory work to protect public health.

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/LSLprogram>



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HUNTING FISHING PARKS CLIMATE

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[land ownership](#)

[lead service line \(LSL\) replacements](#)

- **LSL replacement program, funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)**
- [private LSL replacement program, funded by the Water Infrastructure Fund Transfer Act \(WIFTA\)](#)
- [EPA guidance for developing and maintaining a service line inventory.\[PDF\]](#)

[loan closing](#)

[loan repayment](#)

[loan terms](#)

LSL Application

The screenshot shows the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website. The header includes social media icons for Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, and LinkedIn, along with a search icon. The navigation menu lists: HUNTING, FISHING, PARKS, CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY, LICENSES, NEWS, ABOUT, CONTACT. The main content area is titled "ONLINE SYSTEMS" and includes a sub-header "CLEAN WATER FUND PROGRAM AND SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM". A paragraph explains that municipalities applying for financial assistance must submit an Intent to Apply (ITA) with Priority Evaluation and Ranking Formula (PERF) information and a Financial Assistance Application through the online systems. A list of links provides further guidance: Request MyWisconsin ID and register for DNR Switchboard access, Authorization certificate for online submittals, Access links to online loan systems, Loan document uploads, CWFP online guidance, and SDWLP online guidance. A callout box titled "ACCESS LINKS TO ONLINE LOAN SYSTEMS" highlights two key links: ITA/PERF system for submitting a notice of Intent to Apply with Priority Evaluation and Ranking Formula information, and Application & loan document upload system for submitting a Financial Assistance Application and loan documents. A sidebar on the right lists "Financial Assistance" with sub-items "Grants" and "Loans".

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ONLINE SYSTEMS

CLEAN WATER FUND PROGRAM AND SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM

Each municipality that plans to apply for financial assistance from Environmental Loans must submit an [Intent to Apply \(ITA\)](#) with Priority Evaluation and Ranking Formula (PERF) information and a Financial Assistance Application through the online systems. Applicants may use the online application system's document upload feature to attach loan documents.

- [Request MyWisconsin ID and register for DNR Switchboard access](#)
- [Authorization certificate for online submittals](#)
- [Access links to online loan systems](#)
- [Loan document uploads](#)
- [CWFP online guidance](#)
- [SDWLP online guidance](#)

ACCESS LINKS TO ONLINE LOAN SYSTEMS

- [ITA/PERF system](#) for submitting a notice of Intent to Apply with Priority Evaluation and Ranking Formula information
- [Application & loan document upload system](#) for submitting a Financial Assistance Application and loan documents

Financial Assistance

Grants

Loans

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/OnlineSubmissions.html>

LSL Application

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/OnlineSubmissions.html>

SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM ONLINE GUIDANCE

You may wish to save or print the help text to view during the online submittal processes:

- [SDWLP ITA Help Text for the Online System \[PDF\]](#)
- [Next Steps for Applicants After SDWLP ITA \[PDF\]](#)
- [SDWLP Application Process & Contents \[PDF\]](#)
- [SDWLP Application Help Text for the Online System \[PDF\]](#)
- [SDWLP Deadlines for SFY 2026 Projects \(PUB-CF-047b\) \[PDF\]](#)
- [Timeline for SDWLP loans with principal forgiveness \[PDF\]](#)

LOAN DOCUMENT UPLOADS

Applicants may view all outstanding loan documents and upload those documents in the online application/document upload system. Your DNR project manager will notify you once the loan stage is set-up, then you can begin loading additional documents. You may wish to save or print the following to view during the document upload process:

- [Document Upload Screen & Instructions \[PDF\]](#)
- [Document Upload Categories & Types \[PDF\]](#)

Application help is available!



LSL Application – Project Info

Summary Applicant Financial IRS Tax Refinancing Intermunicipal Agreements **Project Info.** Project Docs. Budget Water Rates Help

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Financial Assistance Application System

Validate Form For Submission

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Scope

Do any of the following funding categories apply to this project?

Does this project consist solely of Lead Service Line Replacements/Inventory? YES NO

Emerging Contaminants YES NO

LSL Application – Project Info

Lead Service Line Projects

Estimated Lead Service Line Costs

Private Construction & Filter Estimates

Public Side Construction Estimates

Inventory Estimates

Do you intend to finance any loan funding for private side LSL replacements with ratepayer funds? YES NO

Attach the Lead Service Line PERF form 8700-383.

Select pdf (50MB Max): No file chosen

- PF Allocation will first be applied to the private side of a service line
- Have a plan for loan funds that could be applied to private side replacements
- The LSL PERF form is required for Applications to be considered complete

LSL Application – Project Docs

Biddable, Approvable Plans. Final Plans & Specs must also be submitted to DNR Plan Review by the application deadline. Click on the "Help" button above for instructions.

Does your project require submittal of Plans per DG code reference? YES NO

Select pdf (50MB Max): No file chosen

Biddable, Approvable Specifications. Final Plans & Specs must also be submitted to DNR Plan Review by the application deadline. Click on the "Help" button above for instructions.

Does this project solely consist of either the replacement of water meters or water service lines? YES NO

Important! If review of the application determines Plans and Specs are required, the application may be considered ineligible.

Does your project require submittal of Specifications per DG code reference? YES NO

Select pdf (50MB Max): No file chosen

I acknowledge that, in addition to uploading the Plans and Specifications above, they have been, or will be, submitted to DNR Plan Review by the application deadline. I am aware that failure to do so may result in this application being considered incomplete. Specific submittal requirements for public water system plan review can be found [here](#)

DNR Approval Letters

Does your project require submittal of Engineering Report per DG code reference? YES NO

Approval Type	Approval No	Approval Date	Select pdf (50MB Max)	Delete
				<input type="button" value="+"/>

Questions about Plan and Spec Approvals?

- Review Submittal Requirements by Project Type:
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/DrinkingWater/PlanReviewGuidelines.html>
- Review Public Water System Plan Review:
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/DrinkingWater/PlanReview.html>
- Ask the folks who review plans and specifications:
DNRPublicWaterPlanReview@wisconsin.gov

LSL PERF (Form 8700-383)

The screenshot shows the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website. The header includes the DNR logo and navigation links for HUNTING, FISHING, PARKS, CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY, LICENSES, NEWS, ABOUT, and CONTACT. The main content area is titled 'FORMS AND PUBLICATIONS' and includes a sub-header 'CLEAN WATER FUND PROGRAM AND SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM'. A sidebar on the right lists 'Financial Assistance' with sub-items 'Grants' and 'Loans'. The main text provides instructions for opening forms and PDFs, and lists links for 'Forms for both programs', 'CWFP forms', 'SDWLP forms', 'Publications', and 'Search: CTRL+F'. A callout box highlights 'SDWLP LEAD SERVICE LINE (LSL) FORMS' with three bullet points: 'Submit online' for Financial Assistance, '8700-366 [PDF]' for Request for Disbursement, and '8700-383 [PDF]' for LSL Replacement Program. At the bottom, there is a link for 'Online Systems'.

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/documents/EIF/Forms/forms.html>

LSL PERF (Form 8700-383)

Section I: Contact Information

Indicate the legal name of the municipality that will undertake the project and the municipality's Project #.

Municipality Name	Project #
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Person Completing Form

Name	Affiliation
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Phone No. (include area code)	Email
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Section II: Project Description

This project includes (indicate all that apply):

Private LSL Replacements: _____ How many? Public LSL Replacements: _____ How many? Inventory work

Indicate how the project should be scored: Score entire municipality Score designated census tract(s)

Should the census tract data be weighted by population or by number of LSLs being replaced?

Weight score by census tract population Weight score by number of LSLs to be replaced

Census Tract Number	* Number of LSLs
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

* Enter the number of LSL replacements for each census tract for this project. If the number of LSLs column is blank or does not match the number of LSLs being replaced for this project, the project will be scored based on census tract population.

Will the submitted project result in the complete removal of all lead service lines in your municipality? Yes No

If yes, please attach your detailed plan for removing all LSLs.

- Project can be scored by Entire Municipality or designated census tract(s)
 - Can be different from ITA
 - If using census tract option, include the census tract(s) or project will be scored as entire municipality

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-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

*** Enter the number of LSL replacements for each census tract for this project. If the number of LSLs column is blank or does not match the number of LSLs being replaced for this project, the project will be scored based on census tract population.**

Will the submitted project result in the complete removal of all lead service lines in your municipality? Yes No

If yes, please attach your detailed plan for removing all LSLs.

- Number of Private and Public LSL Replacements must be applicable to the project, not the system overall
- If selecting 'Weight score by number of LSLs to be replaced', make sure to enter the LSLs per census tract as it relates to the project, not the overall system
- Attach plan when project results in complete removal of LSLs from municipality

LSL PERF (Form 8700-383)

- Section III discusses the criteria used for evaluation
- There is no data input required for this page, it is for informational purposes only

Section III: Priority Evaluation and Ranking Criteria Detail

Description of the Criteria Used in Ranking

Points will be awarded according to the guidelines below as described in the LSL Amendment to the SDWLP Intended Use Plan. The most recent data available for the municipality or project census tract(s) at the time of the Application submission deadline will be used. If submitting a project targeted to a designated census tract(s), all ACS-derived data will be scored at the census tract level.

No information needs to be entered in this section

- ▶ **Percentage of Lead Service Lines in System:** Using data from the inventories required by the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR), the percentage of service lines that are lead or galvanized-requiring-replacements (GRR) in a municipality's water system, will generate as follows:
 - Less than 10% lead or GRR service lines = 5 points
 - 10% to less than 20% lead or GRR service lines = 10 points
 - 20% to less than 30% lead or GRR service lines = 20 points
 - 30% to less than 40% lead or GRR service lines = 30 points
 - 40% or greater lead or GRR service lines = 40 points
- ▶ **Family Poverty Percentage:** Using data from the American Community Survey (ACS), the percent of a municipality's population below 200% of the federal poverty level will generate points equal to the percentage, adjusted to the nearest whole number. This criterion uses 5-year estimates from the American Community Survey, table ID S1702 from data.census.gov.
- ▶ **Lowest Quintile Income:** Lowest quintile household income (LQI) points will be awarded based on the municipality's LQI as a percent of the state LQI with the highest points assigned to the lowest LQI percentages. This criterion uses 5-year estimates from the ACS, table ID B19080 from data.census.gov.
 - 80% to less than 90% of Wisconsin LQI = 5 points
 - 70% to less than 80% of Wisconsin LQI = 10 points
 - 60% to less than 70% of Wisconsin LQI = 15 points
 - Less than 60% of Wisconsin LQI = 20 points

LSL Disbursement Requests (8700-366)

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1. Municipality	2. Project Number	3. Request Number	4. Type of Request <input type="radio"/> Partial <input type="radio"/> Final
Section 1: Payment Information			
Disbursement worksheet must be completed and invoices must be attached for all costs.	This Claim	For DNR Use Only	
		Adjustments	Claim Amount Paid
Force Account			
Interim Financing			
Preliminary Design/Engineering			
Engineering/Construction Management			
Construction/Equipment			
Miscellaneous Costs			
Closing Costs			
Total Requested			

Section 4: LSL Replacement Reporting	
Material Type:	
<input type="text"/>	Number of Lead Service Line Replacements
<input type="text"/>	Number of Galvanized Iron/Steel Line Replacements
<input type="text"/>	Number of Other (Pre-approved by DNR)
If Other Service Lines Replaced, please indicate material type: <input type="text"/>	
Property Type:	
<input type="text"/>	Number of Residential Replacements
<input type="text"/>	Number of School/Daycare Replacements
<input type="text"/>	Number of Other than Residential/School/Daycare Replacements
Ownership Type:	
<input type="text"/>	Number of Private Service Line Replacements
<input type="text"/>	Number of Public Service Line Replacements

LSL Disbursement Request Worksheet

PF Allocated for Private-Side Costs		\$		
PF Allocated for Remaining Costs		\$		
Date of Invoice	Payee	Invoice Number	Identify Invoice (Private vs Utility)	Total Invoice Amount
				\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -

Budget Categories (Requesting EIF funds for incurred eligible costs)								
Force Account	Interim Financing	Preliminary Design/ Engineering	Land or Easement Acquisition	Engineering/ Construction Management	Construction/ Equipment		Misc. Costs	Closing Costs
					Private	Utility		

- This worksheet is paired with the disbursement request form and is required for a complete disbursement request
- Custom for each project – PM will issue worksheet to municipality

Other Funding		
Include Dollar Amount and Fund Source		
Amount	Source	PF Estimate
		\$ -
		\$ -
		\$ -

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