

SDWLP Deadlines for SFY 2026 Projects

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Deadlines are set in the annual intended use plan, see dnr.wi.gov/aid/projectListsIUPs.html

Oct. 31, 2024		State Fiscal Year 2026 (SFY 26) notice of intent to apply (ITA) deadline.
2025	Spring	SFY 26 project priority list (PPL) published (shows eligible projects in priority score order).
	June 30	SFY 26 application deadline if competing for principal forgiveness. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans and specifications must be uploaded to the online application and submitted to the DNR Bureau of Drinking Water and Groundwater through the public water system plan review process (postmarked) by the application deadline. Submit an appeal to an eligibility determination or a priority score reevaluation request on or after July 1 and no later than July 30.
	Sept. 30	Last recommended date for submitting rate case applications to PSC for SFY 26 projects.
	November	SFY 26 funding list published (shows each eligible project's allocation of funds).
2026	April 30	Last recommended date for opening bids for SFY 26 projects.
	May 31	Executed construction contracts due for SFY 26 projects (earlier submittal is encouraged).
	June 15	PSC-approved rate case order due for SFY 26 projects.
	June 30	SFY 26 application deadline for projects <i>not</i> seeking principal forgiveness (PF).
	Sept. 23	SFY 26 final loan closing date.

Loan Closing Timeline

For SDWLP projects, the loan must close by Sept. 30 of the year following the application deadline. Loans for SFY 2026 applicants must close by Sept. 23, 2026. Applications submitted on Jan. 1, 2026, or later will have the same loan closing deadline as SFY 2027 projects. The assigned DNR loan project manager works with the municipality to establish a loan closing date as well as a timeline for submitting the [required documentation](#) needed prior to preparing the financial assistance agreement. The loan closing date is normally scheduled for the second or fourth Wednesday of the month. The Department of Administration (DOA) will wire the municipality's first disbursement of funds on the closing date.

Weeks Out	Activity - Completed in terms of weeks before municipal meeting.
6	Municipality submits to DNR any remaining required documentation , including the first request for disbursement (#1). DNR begins drafting financial assistance agreement (FAA) also known as a loan.
4	FAA drafted. DNR reviews FAA.
3	DOA reviews FAA.
2	Bond counsel reviews FAA.
1	Municipality reviews FAA and submits to DNR any additional disbursement requests (i.e., #2, #3, ...) for payment on loan closing date.
Municipal Mtg.	Municipality passes bond resolution, signs FAA and bond documents, then immediately sends signed documents to DNR and bond counsel.

Loan closing date is *at least two weeks after* municipal meeting to allow the bond counsel time to prepare the bond/note transcript for the loan.

Notes: SDWLP applications may be submitted anytime during the state fiscal year for projects *not* seeking PF. The DNR recommends that all applicants, even those not seeking PF, submit a SDWLP application by the June 30 deadline due to potential limitations on [loan capacity](#). When a deadline falls on a weekend or legal holiday, that deadline is extended to the next business day, per [s. 990.001\(4\), Wis. Stats.](#)

