Environmental Loans Interest Rates

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LOAN INTEREST RATE DETERMINATION	PERCENT OF MARKET RATE	INTEREST RATE
CWFP For the portion of eligible projects for receiving and storing septage, and capacity for treating septage; as well as for mercury remediation at wastewater treatment facilities.	0%	**0%**
CWFP For eligible projects of extremely disadvantaged municipalities meeting the following financial need criteria: < 1,000 population; and ≤ 65% of Wisconsin *MHI.	0%	**0%**
CWFP & SDWLP For eligible projects of disadvantaged municipalities meeting the following financial need criteria: < 10,000 population; and ≤ 80% of Wisconsin *MHI.	33%	**0.990%**
CWFP & SDWLP For eligible projects of municipalities not meeting above criteria.	55%	**1.650%**
MARKET RATE (effective 10/01/19-12/31/19) *MHI=Median Household Income	100%	3.000%

Subsidized loans (loans at or below a competitive market rate)

Most eligible project costs are funded at a percentage of the market rate, in accordance with ss. 281.58(12)(a) and 281.61(11), Wis. Stats. Program subsidy buys down the market rate on loans (**reduced-interest rate loans**). On a quarterly basis, the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) assesses the market rate on which the Clean Water Fund Program (CWFP) and Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP) subsidies are based. The rate applied to the loan is the market rate in effect at the time of the municipal bond meeting *(at which resolutions approving municipal obligations and Financial Assistance Agreements (FAAs) are signed/executed)*.

- **View current rates at** dnr.wi.gov/aid/documents/eif/guide/interest.html.

Fixed interest rates on long-term loans

The DOA has set the market rate at 3.000% for loans with municipal bond meetings on or after October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, and with a final maturity of twenty (20) years or less. During that quarter, the loan interest rate will be determined based on the market rate of 3.000%:

- CWFP loans, provided at 0% of the market rate, will be awarded with an interest rate of 0%.
- CWFP and SDWLP loans, provided at 33% of the market rate, will be awarded with an interest rate of 0.990%.
- CWFP and SDWLP loans, provided at 55% of the market rate, will be awarded with an interest rate of 1.650%.
- Eligible CWFP Pilot Projects may be awarded loans with an interest rate as low as 0%.
- View CWFP Small Loans Program (SLP) interest rates at dnr.wi.gov/Aid/documents/EIF/small.html#rate.

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