

# United States Senate

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Susan Collins  
Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Patty Murray  
Vice Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Kennedy  
Chair  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Energy and Water Development  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Patty Murray  
Ranking Member  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Energy and Water Development  
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Dear Chair Collins, Vice Chair Murray, Chair Kennedy, and Ranking Member Murray,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2026 Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,



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Tina Smith  
United States Senator

**Smith, Tina(D-MN) Energy and Water Development  
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

<b>Recipient Name</b>	<b>Project Purpose</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Amount Requested (\$000)</b>
Wild Rice Watershed District	The Lower Wild Rice Corridor Habitat Restoration Program has a long-term purpose to restore a natural corridor area along the Lower Reach of the Wild Rice River. Funding would assist in the restoration of degraded ecosystems through the modification of Corps of Engineers' project area.	Ada MN	\$10,000
City of Gaylord	The City of Gaylord is the owner of the Lake Titlow Dam. Lake Titlow is located on the north side of Gaylord. The City of Gaylord plans to replace the dam which according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources 8/1/2023 Dam Inspection Report is in poor and failing condition.	Gaylord MN	\$700
City of Hawley	Providing electric to new commercial development and upgrading existing electric infrastructure.	Hawley MN	\$1,800
Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy	Support the development of a locally created renewable energy source by turning food waste and organic rich material into renewable natural gas (RNG) and biochar.	Louisville Township MN	\$5,000
Lower Sioux Indian Community	The Lower Sioux Indian Community in the State of Minnesota requests funds to connect Tribal homes to natural gas line for heating fuel source.	Lower Sioux Indian Community MN	\$900
Longfellow Community Energy, Inc.	Construction of a district energy system using aquifer thermal energy storage technology (ATES) to heat and cool over 500,000 square feet of mixed-use development in Minneapolis.?	Minneapolis MN	\$6,000
Owamniyomni Okhodayapi	This funding will allow the St. Paul District to complete the disposition study of the Upper St. Anthony Falls Lock and Dam and thus allow its conveyance to the City of Minneapolis or its designee.	Minneapolis MN	\$500
Olmsted County	Construct a regional materials recovery facility (MRF) in southeastern Minnesota to reclaim valuable recyclable materials and remove recoverable and problematic items from the waste stream. The MRF will convert municipal solid waste from a liability to an asset.	Olmsted County MN	\$4,897
Upper Mississippi River Basin Association	The Navigation and Ecosystem Sustainability Program supports the river's lock and dam system by improving the efficiency and reliability of commercial barge traffic.	Richmond Township MN	\$73,000
City of Saint Paul	This City of Saint Paul project will include the design and installation of a geothermal system to replace an aging inefficient centralized steam boiler system at the Aquatic Animals and Como Harbor Filtration Buildings at Como Park Zoo & Conservatory.	St. Paul MN	\$7,000
District Energy Saint Paul, Inc.	To conduct a technical feasibility analysis to explore geothermal solutions at Mount Airy Homes. The study will provide information that would allow District Energy to utilize the planned capital investment, along with other funds, to deploy the geothermal solution.	St. Paul MN	\$3,000
The Heights Community Energy, Inc.	The Heights Community Energy, Inc. will provide thermal energy to heat and cool over 1,000,000 square feet of multi-family residential, commercial, and industrial properties including low income and affordable housing. The source of thermal energy is geothermal.	St. Paul MN	\$6,000
Macalester College	To install a basement geothermal heat pump system in a new building at Grand Avenue and Macalester Street.	St. Paul MN	\$3,000