Additional \$10 Million in FY24 Infrastructure Funding Approved for Lewis & Clark

Brings Total Infrastructure Funding to \$152.5 Million Over Three Years

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The Bureau of Reclamation announced today the Lewis & Clark Regional Water System (L&C) will receive an additional \$10 million in FY24 from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). This is in addition to the \$7 million in FY24 BIL funding that was announced for L&C last October, bringing the total amount of BIL funding L&C has received in FY22, FY23 and FY24 to \$152.5 million.

"This is fantastic news and we're extremely pleased! A big thanks to our partners at the Bureau of Reclamation for making this additional funding available. It gets us one step closer to the finish line," said Executive Director Troy Larson.

The additional \$10 million will go toward construction of the third and final phase of the water treatment plant, which will be constructed and paid for over multiple fiscal years. A contract was awarded to PKG of Fargo on March 28, 2024 for Phase 3. The Base System portion of the contract was \$85,462,100.

"The Administration has proposed \$6.825 million for Lewis & Clark in the FY25 Appropriations Bill. Assuming this is approved, which has been the case the last few years, our engineers estimate we need another \$15 million to complete the Base System. We are working closely with our tristate congressional delegation to secure an additional \$15 million in FY25," said Larson.

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