

567—92.2(455B) Scope of title. The department has jurisdiction over the surface water and groundwater of the state to prevent, abate and control pollution. As a part of that general responsibility, the department and the Iowa finance authority are jointly delegated the administration of: (1) the clean water state revolving fund (CWSRF) to assist in water pollution prevention and abatement and water quality protection projects pursuant to the Clean Water Act, and (2) the drinking water facilities revolving loan fund (DWSRF) described in 567—Chapter 44. A project must comply with this chapter to be eligible for a CWSRF loan. This chapter provides the general rules of practice for the department's administration of the CWSRF program, including the criteria for loan eligibility, and the general project and program administration rules. Definitions provided in 567—Chapter 90 apply to this chapter.

Section 603(c) of Title VI of the Clean Water Act allows the use of state revolving funds to assist municipalities to construct publicly owned treatment works and to implement a nonpoint source pollution management plan as provided for in Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. Nonpoint source water quality programs are described in 567—Chapter 93.

Water pollution control projects that provide the best water quality improvements or protection based on the rating system and are ready to proceed are to be funded. This chapter provides for the general rules of practice for the department's administration of the CWSRF program based on this principle.