

The Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program accelerates investment in our nation's water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental loans for regionally and nationally significant projects.

## MSD PROJECT CLEAR SOLIDS MANAGEMENT UPGRADES PROJECT

**BORROWER:** Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District

(MSD Project Clear)

**LOCATION:** St. Louis, Missouri

WIFIA LOAN AMOUNT: \$330 million

**TOTAL WIFIA PROJECT COSTS:** \$898 million

**POPULATION SERVED BY PROJECT:** 1.3 million people

**NUMBER OF JOBS CREATED:** 3,025 jobs



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## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The MSD Project Clear Solids Management Upgrades Project will reduce air emissions and ensure continued compliance with regulations. While MSD Project Clear's existing biosolids treatment facilities, built in the 1970s, continue to meet or exceed all air quality standards, they rely on outdated technology. This project consists of construction of new biosolids processing buildings, including fluidized bed incinerators and sludge dewatering equipment. These new facilities will have emissions controls that provide up to a 90 percent reduction of certain pollutants. Furthermore, the new fluidized bed incinerators will require less energy and fuel consumption. MSD Project Clear will also construct odor control systems to reduce unpleasant odor impacts on neighboring communities with environmental justice concerns.

## **PROJECT BENEFITS**

- Improves air quality for neighboring residents by substantially reducing air emissions.
- Increases operational efficiency compared to existing incinerators and reduces energy consumption and fuel usage.
- Saves the MSD Project Clear approximately \$86 million by financing with a WIFIA loan.



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