City of Flensburg

Drinking Water | Wastewater



The City of Flensburg lacks municipal drinking water infrastructure, relying on individual sand-point wells, which are vulnerable to **contamination**. The MPCA monitors an **active petroleum leak** in the area with wells, and while corrective actions to remove contaminated soil are ongoing, full remediation has been challenging due to the spread of the contamination plume. Flensburg's sanitary sewer system, installed in 1950, is made of **deteriorating** vitrified clay pipes and modular manholes. Televised inspections reveal poor conditions, including **sags**, **cracks**, **root intrusions**, **and collapses**. In recent years, homeowners continue to experience basement **sewer backups**.



Collapsed sanitary sewer pipe in Flensburg, MN.

Funds Needed

Utility work will total \$12.9 million and will begin once funding is secured. This project includes:

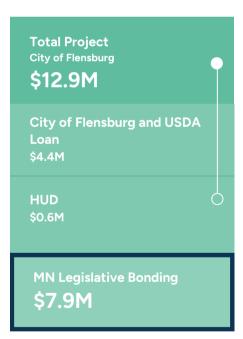
- Regionalization option with the City of Little Falls to receive clean drinking water from the Little Falls municipal water system.
- A new drinking water distribution system
- · A new water tower
- Construction of a watermain connection from the City's proposed new water distribution system

Social Equity & Public Health

The proposed infrastructure improvements in Flensburg are essential for providing residents with safe drinking water and a functional sanitary sewer system. These upgrades are necessary to prevent water contamination, which can cause illness and harm, especially to children's developing brains and immune systems, as highlighted by the EPA.

Project Affordability

- Population of Flensburg is 216
- Location: Morrison County, northwest of Little Falls and south of Brainerd
- As part of this project, the city will establish a reserve/replacement account.
- More than 53% of the residents served with utilities are low to moderate income
- Clean Water PPL Rank: 181
- Drinking Water PPL Rank: 839



Why Your Support Matters Now

Flensburg knows this utility project will improve the quality of life, health, safety, and well-being for the residents and visitors to their community. The City of Flensburg is respectfully requesting **\$7.9 million** in Minnesota Legislative Bonding to leverage Federal and City funding proposed to complete this project. **HF 910**

