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**MULTIPLE AREAS RECEIVE CRITICAL GRANT FUNDING FOR IMPORTANT INFRASTRUCTURE  
PROJECTS IN SENATE DISTRICT 30**

State Senator Mike Reese (R-Leesville) announces the approval of critical grant funding for several communities across Senate District 30. The funds are granted through the Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) program and the Louisiana Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) and are to be used for much needed infrastructure work for the FY 2019-2020. The communities receiving funding include the Villages of Simpson and Anacoco, the Towns of New Llano, Rosepine, and Hornbeck, the Vernon Parish Police Jury, and the City of Leesville. The grant applications were approved by Governor John Bel Edwards on July 30, 2020 and the projects receiving funding through either program are:

- Up to \$18,035 in CWEF funding to replace water lines in the Village of Simpson, La.
- Up to \$23,085 in CWEF funding to clean, inspect and repair the outside of the water system's head tank in Vernon Parish.
- Up to \$25,250 CWEF funding to purchase new water meters in the Town of New Llano, La.
- Up to \$9,070 in LGAP funding to make renovations to the interior of the new fire department building in the Town of New Llano, La.
- Up to \$36,728 in LGAP funding to make repairs to Good Hope Road, Fal Road, Hawks Road, and Jones Road in Vernon Parish.
- Up to \$22,674 in LGAP funding to replace existing water lines that are damaged, exposed, or undersized in the Village of Simpson, La.
- Up to \$11,518 in LGAP funding to replace lighting, make ceiling repairs, install window replacements, and paint the exterior of the community center in the City of Leesville, La.
- Up to \$31,743 in LGAP funding to purchase hydro-excavation equipment in the Town of Rosepine, La.

- Up to \$31, 743 in LGAP funding to make repairs to Stillwell Avenue Road in the Town of Hornbeck, La.
- Up to \$22,674 in LGAP funding to repair and resurface roads throughout the Village of Anacoco, La.

“Infrastructure is the backbone of a healthy economy,” said Senator Reese. “Our communities will greatly benefit from the improvements these grants fund and I am honored to be able to contribute to creating a safer, more efficient, and healthier economy and environment for the citizens across our district.”

The CWFEP aims to provide a source of funding to aid units of local government solely for the purpose of rehabilitation, improvement, and construction projects for community water systems to provide safe and clean drinking water. The LGAP is a grant program that gives financial aid to local governments where there is not federal funding. It is for urgent matters and gives priority to issues of health, safety, and quality of life.

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