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## NEW FIRE HALL FOR TABLE ROCK

**Table Rock, Neb., August 26, 2008**— The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development awarded \$132,500 to the Table Rock Community Foundation for the construction of a fire hall that will serve Table Rock and the surrounding area. The funds will be leveraged with \$60,000 from the Volunteer Fire Department and \$25,000 from the Village of Table Rock.

“The fire hall will be a big benefit to the fire department as it will help with our training needs and the housing of our equipment,” stated Chairperson Dennis Schardt, Table Rock Community Foundation.

The fire hall will be a 6,000 square foot metal building with five vehicle accessible doors and equipment storage space.

“USDA Rural Development is pleased to assist with the construction of Table Rock’s fire hall,” stated Area Specialist Janice Stopak, USDA Rural Development. “The need for a new station is clear. The Village’s existing fire hall contains 2,000 square feet with only one vehicle accessible door. Vehicles have to be shuffled around in order to access the door which inhibits response time and thus compromises the saving of lives.”

USDA Rural Development provided a Community Facility loan of \$62,500 and grant of \$70,000. The loan will be repaid over 40 years at 4.50 percent interest. For additional information contact Janice Stopak at (402) 423-9683, Extension 121, (402) 437-5093 (TDY); [janice.stopak@ne.usda.gov](mailto:janice.stopak@ne.usda.gov); 8000 South 15<sup>th</sup> Street Suite E, Lincoln, Neb. Visit <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ne/>.

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