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Iowa — Rural Utilities Service

Regional Collaboration

Rural Water Association Brings Improved Water Services to Southern Iowa

Outline Of Need:

Improved water and wastewater services in southern and southwest Iowa

How Rural Development Helped:

Since 2009, SIRWA has utilized more than \$22 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds administered through USDA Rural Development to help fund seven projects that will improve water and wastewater services to communities in southern and southwestern Iowa.

SIRWA is using ARRA funds to assist with a wide range of projects including: rehabilitation of a wastewater collection system for the City of Bridgewater, construction of 15 miles of pipe to inter-connect water sources of Corning Municipal Utilities and Creston Municipal Utilities, construction of a new wastewater collection system in the City of Ellston, replacement of water service and sub meters throughout its service area, expansion of rural water services to southwest Cass County, construction of a new wastewater system in the Cities of Benton, Delphos, Maloy



Funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act are helping to rehabilitate a wastewater collection system in the City of Bridgewater.

and Redding, and improvements to the Creston Water Treatment Plant.

The Results:

The City of Bridgewater sewer project is under construction and is targeted for completion by summer of 2011. The improvements will result in improved wastewater treatment for the community. Construction has started on the Ellston Sewer collection system that will provide a new public sewer system for the City. Improvements to the Creston Water Treatment Plant are currently being made and will be complete by fall of 2011. The improvements will result in improved water supply to a large portion of SIRWA's rural water customers. The new wastewater system in the Cities of Benton, Delphos, Maloy and Redding is targeted for bidding May 2011.

The remaining three projects outlined above are in various stages of planning, design, and bidding.

Fast Facts

Program: Water and Environmental Programs

Investment: More than \$22 million in Recovery Act funding

Congressional District: IA- 5

Partners: Southern Iowa Rural Water Association

Impact:

- USDA Rural Development has invested more than \$1.2 billion to improve water quality in rural Iowa