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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDES OVER \$7.5 MILLION TO PROJECTS IN CAMDEN COUNTY, MISSOURI

Morris Westfall, Missouri State Director for USDA Rural Development, presented mock checks to three area water and wastewater districts in a joint ceremony Tuesday, July 1, 2008. The ceremony, held at Camden County Courthouse, recognized Rural Development funding to Normac Sewer District, Camelot Estates Sewer District and Public Water Supply District #3 of Camden County.

The Normac Sewer District project consists of \$459,000 of USDA Rural Development financing and \$410,000 in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funds. Funds will be used to construct a centralized sewer system with a recirculating coarse media filter to serve the 112 residents of the Normac Sewer District.

The Camelot Estates Sewer District project consists of \$6,071,300 of USDA Rural Development financing, \$567,000 in EPA funds and \$365,000 from Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). There will be 550 connections served by the new collection and treatment system.

Public Water Supply District #3 of Camden County is receiving \$1,271,000 of USDA Rural Development funds. The funds will be used to install 7,500 feet of water line so that the distribution pressure and flow can be improved to acceptable levels. A second 150,000 gallon storage tank will be installed to serve the 475 connections in the District.

“It is critical that we help Missouri’s rural communities provide families with safe and efficient water distribution as well as adequate waste disposal systems. This money will help those in Camden County to meet these important basic needs while safeguarding the environment for future generations,” said U.S. Senator Kit Bond.

“Every Missourian deserves to have clean drinking water,” said U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill. “Federal loans and grants are a great way to bring federal dollars back to Missouri communities and I am pleased that this funding will help provide the residents of Camden County with the necessary upgrades to their water treatment facilities.”

“It is vital that Missourians receive safe, dependable, high quality water. I am pleased that the Normac Sewer District, Camelot Estates Sewer District, and PWSD #3 in Camden County will have the proper systems in place to ensure high water quality for their residents. The positive results from these projects are immeasurable,” said Representative Ike Skelton.

“Access to a safe and dependable water supply system as well as an environmentally safe waste disposal system is a fundamental necessity to each of us,” said Westfall. “These projects mirror USDA Rural Development’s mission and President Bush’s initiative of being committed to the future of rural communities. I want to personally thank everyone that has worked together to make these projects reality. I am pleased that so many rural households will benefit from adequate and dependable water and waste disposal systems. Special thanks are extended to our federal elected officials for making available the federal funds for funding this kind of project providing essential services to the residents of Camden County.”

Anyone seeking more information about the water and wastewater programs or any other USDA Rural Development programs may visit the homepage at <http://www.rurdev.gov/mo> or by contacting the Clinton Area Office at 1306 North 2nd Street, Clinton, MO 64735 or by calling (660) 885-5567- ext 5.

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