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USDA Rural Development Program Funding Completes Troy Township Water System

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 12, 2007 – Randall Hunt, state director for USDA Rural Development announced today approval of a \$50,000 grant to Troy Township Wastewater District to complete construction of a waste water collection system and treatment facility in Ashland County, Ohio. The funding comes from Rural Development's Water and Waste Disposal Direct Grant Program.

"We've been working with Troy Township's Water District on this project since fiscal year 2004 and this funding helps bring their vision of improved water service to fruition," said Hunt. "It takes community cooperation, patience and funding to make these kinds of projects happen."

The new collection system and treatment facility will serve 110 users in the unincorporated area of Nova in Troy Township.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural residents. Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in home ownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure.

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