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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR CADDO BASIN SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT

GREENVILLE, TEXAS, February 7, 2006-- Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, today announced that Caddo Basin Special Utility District (SUD) has been selected to receive \$585,000 through the Agency's Community Program's Water and Waste Disposal Loan Program. The funds will be used to construct a new 300,000 gallon elevated storage tank, water line piping, and appurtenances. This project will alleviate potential water delivery problems on the eastern side of the system and adequate emergency supply during times of interruptions in the system.

"USDA Rural Development is delighted to assist Caddo Basin SUD in providing safe and dependable drinking water for their customers," said Daniel.

In Fiscal Year 2005, \$48.9 million of Water and Waste Disposal Loan assistance was distributed throughout rural Texas. USDA Rural Development's Water and Waste Disposal Program is designed to bring fresh, clean drinking water and sanitary, environmentally sound sewage facilities to rural America's 53 million residents. Loans and grants are available to rural communities with fewer than 10,000 residents. Public bodies, corporations operating on a non-profit basis, and Indian tribes, that are unable to obtain credit from other sources at reasonable rates and terms, are eligible for assistance.

USDA Rural works to ensure that rural citizens can participate fully in the global marketplace, by providing programs that assist rural Americans in building strong economies and to improve their quality of life. For more information regarding USDA Rural Development Programs, contact the McKinney Local Office at (972) 542-0081, Extension 4, or visit our website at <http://rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>.

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