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Grants to Improve Water Systems in Three Appalachian Communities

Adams County, the village of Malta (Morgan County) and the village of New Athens (Harrison County) will receive grants to improve their water systems. The grant funds come from the Community Development Block Grant, Residential Public Infrastructure Program.

“Access to a reliable and safe water system improves the quality of life in a community,” said David Goodman, director of the Ohio Development Services Agency.

Adams County, in conjunction with the Adams County Regional Water District, will receive a \$507,600 grant to install approximately 44,800 linear feet of waterline, one booster station and one water storage tank. The county will also help 35 low- and moderate-income households connect to the system. The upgrades will benefit 44 households.

The **village of Malta** (Morgan County) will receive a \$500,000 grant to install approximately 10,212 linear feet of sewer line and an emergency generator. The project will benefit 280 households.

The **village of New Athens** (Harrison County) will receive a \$600,000 grant to install approximately 21,323 linear feet of sewer line, five lift stations and a wastewater treatment plant. The village will also help 95 low- and moderate-income households connect to the system. The project will benefit 157 households.

The Community Development Block Grant Program is administered by the Ohio Development Services Agency’s Office of Community Development.

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