

## **PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS**

You are required as part of the application process to provide notice to the citizenry of your intent to apply for Federal funds through a published Notice of Intent. In addition, you are required to publish a notice and hold a public information meeting to allow the citizenry an opportunity to become acquainted with the proposed project. The notice must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the service area at least 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. The applicant must also post a public notice at its principle office and notify Rural Development of the meeting. A sample notice is provided below.

You must submit an <u>affidavit of publication</u> and the <u>minutes of the public meeting</u> to Rural Development as part of your application.

## SAMPLE NOTICE OF INTENT AND PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The <u>Organization's Name will file/has filed</u> an application with the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance to develop <u>Identified Project</u>. A public meeting for comments will be held at <u>Time</u> on <u>Date</u> at <u>Location</u> to discuss the proposed project and to provide the opportunity for public comment.