



Rural Development • Rural Utilities Service • Wastewater Environmental Program

Village of Davey Gets New Lagoons

Davey’s lagoons were almost 50 years old and needed to be updated as they were out of compliance with the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) E. coli limits. There was also a new NDEQ discharge limit for ammonia which was included. The Village of Davey was given a mandate to get their sanitary sewer system back into compliance to meet all the standards.

The Village constructed a new full retention lagoon system south of Davey to replace the aging gravity discharge lagoons. The funding was also used to construct a new lift station and demolish the existing treatment plant.

This wastewater project was funded by USDA Rural Development using the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) stimulus money. The total cost of the project was nearly \$710,000, which was funded with \$561,000 in a low interest rate loan payable in 40 years. The remainder was funded by a \$149,000 grant from USDA.

These monies made a great improvement for the Village of Davey’s sanitary sewer system. The Village is now in compliance by NDEQ standards.



Davey’s new retention lagoon.

Obligation Amount: \$561,000 ARRA Loan and \$149,000 Grant

Date of Obligation: 6/7/2010

Congressional District: Representative Fortenberry, District 1; US Senator Johanns and US Senator Fischer

Partners: none

Demographics: Assisted rural Davey to meet NDEQ limits.

Impact: The more than 150 rural Davey residents will no longer have to worry about a wastewater problem.