

The American Recovery & Reinvestment Plan of 2009:

“RURAL DEVELOPMENT’S PERSPECTIVE”

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As I write this article, the U.S. Senate is poised to pass its version of the “Stimulus” initiative. We look forward to the eventual enactment of this Bill in late February 2009, and funding being available until the end of the Fiscal Year 2010 (September 30, 2010).

There will be historic opportunities through the “Stimulus” legislation for you to invest in infrastructure improvements. The State Revolving Loan Fund, as well as, Rural Development will have additional funding and resources available to advance your projects in an affordable and timely manner.

As always, New York Rural Water Association is fully aware of the “Stimulus” initiative opportunities and remains a strong advocate for Rural Development programs. Please contact your State and/or local Rural Development representative to determine the most effective strategy to advance your project.

I am hopeful that many of you are already involved in the funding process as you read this article. If you are not, please contact me at (315)477-6427 or email

at David.Miller@ny.usda.gov to discuss the affordable funding opportunities that may be available to you.

Do not miss this funding opportunity! I look forward to working with you to meet the infrastructure needs of your community.

PS. Be sure to ask about Community Facilities Program “Stimulus” funding opportunities to assist you in financing fire/rescue apparatus, town/village halls, fire stations, health related facilities and more. ●

