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HINTON WATER SYSTEM TO BE EXPANDED
Economic Development to Follow

WASHINGTON, DC -- U.S. Rep. Nick J. Rahall (D-WV) announced today that the Economic Development Administration awarded \$408,000 to the City of Hinton to expand the City's water system. A new water line will be installed to provide service for a new county high school and a potential industrial development.

"I have worked closely with the City to bring this project to fruition, because this project means jobs for Hinton area residents," said Rahall. "Upon completion of this project Hinton will have all the necessary infrastructure in place for a major commercial or industrial development." Federal officials expect eighty jobs will be created.

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PROJECT NUMBER: 01-01-03364APPLICANT: City of Hinton
Summers County, West Virginia

ECONOMIC IMPACT/BENEFIT THE PROJECT WILL PROVIDE: Until recently, the City of Hinton did not have any land that was developable for industrial or commercial purposes. The City has recently acquired very desirable land for this purpose. The City has recently completed a mandated \$5 million sewer treatment plant and has extended sewer lines to this newly acquired land. This new area needs only water to open it to potential development. The private sector has in the past indicated a desire to locate in this area but had no possible sites available. With this project, private sector development would be possible and would create employment opportunities for the area's low income families that are a majority of the local population. Comparison with adjacent Monroe County, and a site of similar size and location, indicates that when the necessary infrastructure is in place, at least 70 jobs would be created.

Additionally, the County Board of Education has acquired a nearby site for a new high school that will replace a severely dilapidated existing high school. The existing high school has been declared a health hazard by the County Health Officer. This school will be able to train workers for whatever industry decides to locate in the area. The school will also be served by the new water line.

POLICY ISSUES: A Special Condition has been added to the Standard Special Conditions covering administrative services supplied by other than the applicant's staff. The City of Hinton does not have the administrative staff to support the project.

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RECOMMENDATION: This application satisfies the EDA policies and project selection criteria announced in the Federal Register, and the applicable findings and determinations required by the Public Works Checklist have been satisfied. The project is recommended by the Philadelphia Regional Office for approval, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Financial Assistance Award.

William W. Ginsberg
Assistant Secretary
for Economic Development

APPROVED:  9-6

DISAPPROVED: _____

DATE: May 18, 1994

Attachments

FORM ED-506
(REV. 1-27-67)U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

CORRESPONDENCE BRIEF - MEMORANDUM

TO:	X	Assistant Secretary
		Deputy Assistant Secretary

ACTION MEMORANDUM

Date: APR 26 1994

FROM: John E. Corrigan, Regional Director
Philadelphia Regional Office

SUBJECT: Applicant: City of Hinton
Location: City of Hinton, Summers County, WV
Project No.: 01-01-03364

* EDA Grant Amount	\$408,000 (80%)
Applicant	\$102,000 (20%)
Total:	\$510,000 100%

* EDA funds include a 10 percent District Bonus Grant.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Extension of an existing 8-inch water line for approximately three miles.

PURPOSE OF GRANT: Expansion of a basic community service essential to future development by providing an adequate water supply to a potential industrial/manufacturing area and a new county high school.

ECONOMIC OR PRESSING NEED ADDRESSED BY PROJECT: The most pressing need addressed by this project is providing a basic service that is essential to initiate future development and which will provide immediate local construction jobs in a chronically depressed rural area with high unemployment. The City of Hinton historically has been a railroad town. With the decline of the coal industry, railroad employment dropped from an average of 2,000 jobs to the present 200 jobs. Many retail jobs have been lost to large malls in nearby counties. These jobs must be replaced to reduce or eliminate the outmigration that has resulted in a 25% loss of population in the last ten years.

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	Project Officer	Chief Public Works Div.	Regional Cnsl. OCC	Director Public Works Div.	DAS Program Operations	DAS for ED
INITIALS AND DATE	<i>L. Reed</i> 3-24-94	<i>JB</i> 3/28/94	<i>Lee</i> 4/19/94	<i>4-20/94</i>	<i>5/18/94</i>	<i>5/18/94</i>

AGENCY: EDA 94-187

NAME OF APPLICANT: City of Hinton

ADDRESS: Hinton, WV 25951

PROGRAM: 11.300, Public Works

AGENCY AWARD NUMBER: 010103364

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PROPOSED FEDERAL DOLLARS

\$400,000

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