

## USDA ASSISTS PROACTIVE COMMUNITY WITH WASTEWATER NEEDS

**Outline of Need:** The Village of Adams looked to the future and saw the need to replace their antiquated mechanical sewage treatment plant that was no longer meeting State discharge permit requirements. The Village knew action must be taken in order to avoid a State issued Administrative Order.

**How Rural Development Helped:** USDA Rural Development provided the Village with a Wastewater loan for \$944,000 and grant of \$175,000 joined by Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) monies of \$238,000. The funds allowed the Village to construct a new lift station, a three-cell lagoon, a force main and the demolition of the existing treatment plant.

**The Results:** The completed sanitary sewer improvements offer the Village of Adams an economically viable solution for the treatment of their wastewater and provide for a safe and dependable sanitary sewer system for its 209 users. Additionally, through the leveraging of USDA and NDEQ funds, the user rates were kept at a manageable level. (May 2004)



Sewer system component



Generator



New lagoon



Flow meter