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New Madison Well On Line

(Woodland, CA) – As of February 21, 2007, the residents of Madison, a small Yolo County community, are once again able to access clean water from their taps thanks to a new well, funded in part by the County of Yolo.

In January 2003, Madison residents were forced to buy bottled water when both their community wells were found to be contaminated with high levels of nitrates and coliform bacteria. On behalf of the Madison Community Service District, Yolo County immediately applied for, and was awarded, a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Additionally, Yolo County provided \$175,000 from its own CDBG Program Income coiffeurs for the replacement of the wells. But various delays, including meeting special conditions set by the State's CDBG compliance measures, weather, and adjustments to drilling depths, have kept the project from completion until now.

“I am very pleased that the new well is running,” said Yolo County Supervisor Duane Chamberlain who represents the Madison community. “This project has had some setbacks but I am glad we were able to overcome those setbacks and provide the residents with a new water source. The people of Madison deserve a reliable water system and I am hopeful this well will provide the residents with what they need.”

Michele Gray-Samuel, Senior Management Analyst with the County of Yolo, administered the grant and worked closely with various contractors including, Bill Spencer of Well Industries, who installed the new pump, Mike Nowlan of Wood Rodgers Engineering, and Andy Anderson of the Madison Community Service District, who oversaw well maintenance.

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Attachment: Pictured at the new well site from left to right are, Bill Spencer, Andy Anderson and Michele Gray-Samuel.