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**State of California Announces \$6.8 Million in Recovery Funds  
to Boost Economic Development in California**

**SACRAMENTO** – The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) today announced that \$6.8 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) of 2009 has been awarded to ten California communities to support community development and job growth. These funds are part of the federal Community Development Block Grant – Recovery program (CDBG-R) which are administered by the HCD.

“We are committed to getting the federal stimulus dollars out quickly so that communities can get on the road to recovery as soon as possible,” said HCD Director Lynn L. Jacobs. “These awards will help get the state’s economy back on track, through loans for small businesses and construction projects – both of which will create many new jobs for Californians.”

A full list of recipients follows:

Applicant	Award Activity	Amount
City of Anderson	Water System	\$370,548
City of Calipatria	Sewer Project	\$863,695
City of Etna	Water System	\$219,555

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Award Activity</b>	<b>Amount</b>
City of Firebaugh	Replace Streetlights	\$470,696
City of Fort Bragg	Rental Housing Project	\$813,917
Glenn County	Drains/Curbs/Gutters	\$916,659
Town of Mammoth Lakes	Rental Housing Project	\$1,000,000
City of Parlier	Youth/Cooling Center	\$967,541
Tulare County	Alley Paving	\$862,942
City of Tulelake	Water Treatment Facility Repair	\$284,132
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$6,769,685</b>

The Recovery Act made available a total of \$1 billion, nationally, through the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The program enables local governments to undertake a wide range of activities intended to create suitable living environments, provide decent affordable housing and create economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income. CDBG funds provide financing for infrastructure activities, housing activities, economic development activities, public service activities, real property acquisition and administrative costs. The rehabilitation of affordable housing and the construction and improvement of public facilities have traditionally been the largest uses of CDBG funds, although the program is also an important catalyst for job growth and business opportunities.

The HCD administers these ARRA funds to the smaller cities, towns and counties in the state. Larger jurisdictions receive their funding directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). For information on those awards, go to [http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/press/press\\_releases\\_media\\_advisories/2009/HUDNo.09-180](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/press/press_releases_media_advisories/2009/HUDNo.09-180).

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