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Myers, Boyd bring strengths to MAP's Wyoming clients

NEW PRAGUE, Minn., October 23, 2008 – Two resource development advisors for Midwest Assistance Program, Inc., are bringing their combined strengths to MAP's clients in Wyoming. Joshua Myers, who is new to the organization, offers a diverse background and wide understanding of rural communities. Mike Boyd has worked with communities and tribal nations as an RDA in Nebraska and Wyoming, providing them in-depth technical assistance and training.

Most recently, Myers was responsible for the operations and maintenance of the North Valley County Water and Sewer District. A certified water/wastewater operator, he also was asset manager for the district. For three years, Myers was part owner of Skylark Technology, a firm that developed technology for object and feature recognition, image analysis, 3-D extraction and photo-realistic rendering.

Boyd, who joined MAP in 2003, has specialized in small community water systems for the nearly 12 years. He has broad experience with new and existing facilities, system assessments, training, compliance, regulations and helping communities apply for funding.

"Joshua is a wonderful addition to our staff. Together he and Mike will create an outstanding team to serve communities and tribal nations in Wyoming," says Martha Cashman, CEO of MAP.

"I'm excited to have two very qualified MAP staff providing technical assistance in the great state of Wyoming," says Pam Higgins, regional director. "Many rural communities in the state have benefited from MAP's on-site technical assistance and training, and we look forward to working with many more."

Myers can be reached via e-mail at jmyers@map-inc.org; Boyd's e-mail is: mboyd@map-inc.org.

Midwest Assistance Program, Inc., is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping rural communities in a nine-state area improve their environment, quality of life and achieve self sustainability. MAP helps revitalize small communities by working with them to find solutions for their infrastructure, enterprise development, aging, technology or training issues. It's a member of the Rural Community Assistance Partnership, a national, rural community development network. MAP is an equal-opportunity lender, provider and employer.