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Congressman Rodney Alexander

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ALEXANDER ANNOUNCES USDA GRANT FUNDING FOR WEST CARROLL PARISH

RURAL DEVELOPMENT HAS APPROVED GRANT OF \$442,500

Washington, D.C. -- U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, today announced that West Carroll Parish will receive a grant totaling \$442,500.

The grant, disbursed by United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Development, will be used to bring wireless broadband to Pioneer, Louisiana, a town of 171 residents in northeastern Louisiana, according to a project announcement release from USDA.

This project will provide broadband service to the local fire department, police department, ambulance service, post office and elementary school, USDA notes.

"**This community will benefit from broadband service**" Alexander said.

"**I'm told that this broadband service will also help enable local farmers to communicate much more effectively, which could help increase their productivity.**"

For more information, contact Lynn Johnston at 318-428-1644.

What: USDA grant totaling \$442,500

Who: West Carroll Parish

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