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February 17, 2006

Mr. Jeff Schminke
USDA, Rural Development
2615 Farm Bureau Road
Manhattan, Kansas 66502

RE: Agency Review Transmittal Form for Frontier Financial Partners, Inc.

Dear Mr. Schminke:

I have received your request for comment by the Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) on an application to USDA Rural Development for a Rural Business Enterprise Grant from Frontier Financial Partners Inc. of Emporia, Kansas. The purpose of the grant is to establish a revolving loan fund to assist small business. Frontier Financial Partners, Inc. is located at 603 Lincoln Street, Emporia, Kansas.

The KGS has no knowledge of geologic issues that would affect this application. However, the KGS cannot evaluate geologic issues that are associated with the revolving loan(s) made by the applicant with the funds from this grant, because the recipient(s) of the revolving loan(s) and use(s) were not identified in the information provided.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (785) 864-2194 or ohlmac@kgs.ku.edu.

Sincerely,

Gregory Ohlmacher, P.G.
Associate Scientist

Enc: Agency Review Transmittal Form

Comments by: G. Ohlmacher
KS. Geological Survey
1930 Constant Avenue
Lawrence, Ks. 66047

Transmittal Date: February 13, 2006

PROJECT TITLE: Frontier Partners, Inc. of Emporia, KS

CONTACT PERSON:

☐ Notification of Intent
☐ Preapplication
☐ Final Application
☐ Direct Development

This form provides notification and the opportunity for your agency to review and comment on this proposed project required by executive Order 12372. Please complete Parts II & III as appropriate. Your prompt response will be appreciated.

RETURN TO: **USDA RURAL
DEVELOPMENT,
2615 Farm Bureau Road
Manhattan, KS. 66502
Attn: Jeff Schminke**

PART I

REVIEW AGENCIES/COMMISSIONS

☐ Aging	☐ Education	☐ State Forester
☐ Agriculture-DWR	☒ Geological Survey, KS	☐ Transportation
☐ Biological Survey, KS	☐ Health & Environment	☐ Water Office, Kansas
☐ Conservation Commission	☐ Historical Society	☐ Wildlife & Parks
☐ Corporation Commission	☐ Human Resources	☐
☐ Commerce	☐ Social & Rehab. Services	☐

PART II (To be completed by review agency and returned to contact person)

AGENCY REVIEW COMMENTS

COMMENTS: *See cover letter*

PART III (To be completed by review agency and returned to contact person)

RECOMMENDED ACTION COMMENTS

☒ Clearance of the project should be granted.	☐ Clearance of the project should not be delayed but the Applicant should be (in the final application) address and clarify the questions or concerns indicated above.
☐ Clearance of the project should not be granted.	
☐ Clearance of the project should be delayed until the issues or questions have been clarified.	☐ Request the opportunity to review final application prior to submission to the federal funding agency.
☐ Request a State Process Recommendation in concurrence with above comments.	

Reviewer's Name

[Signature]
DIVISION/AGENCY/COMMISSION

Date: *2/17/06*

PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO 785-539-2733 As Soon As Possible.



**United States Department of Agriculture
Rural Development**

February 13, 2006

G. Ohmacher
KS. Geological Survey
1930 Constant Avenue
Lawrence, Ks. 66047

RE: Agency Review Transmittal Form

Frontier Financial Partners, Inc. of Emporia, Kansas has submitted an application to USDA-Rural Development for a Rural Business Enterprise Grant. The purpose of the grant will be funding for a revolving loan fund to assist small businesses. The non-profit will administer the revolving loan fund from their office at 603 Lincoln Street, Emporia, Kansas 66801.

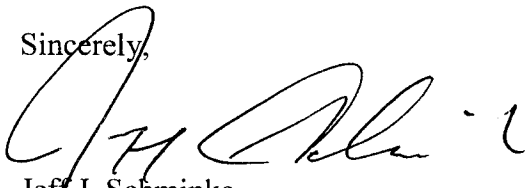
This letter is providing notification of the above-proposed project, as well as the opportunity for your agency to review and comment on the proposed project as required by Executive order 12372.

I have enclosed an "Agency Review Transmittal Form" for your response back to this office. You may also contact this office if you have any questions regarding the proposed project.

Please provide your comments to this office, attention Jeff Schminke, Area Specialist, no later than 3-13-06. Faxed responses are acceptable.

Rural Development will not obligate funds for this project until we have completed an Environmental Assessment of the project.

Sincerely,



Jeff J. Schminke
Area Specialist

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