

# **Hello From Doug**

*By Doug Buresh, ARRA Circuit Rider*

Greetings! I am Doug Buresh. I reside in Valparaiso, Nebraska. My background includes working in the family plumbing, heating and cooling, and electrical business, where I worked for my parents for twenty five years. I have been a water and wastewater operator since 2002. My favorite pastimes are deer and mushroom hunting and karaoke.

I recently began working for the Nebraska Rural Water Association as the ARRA Circuit Rider. This a new position being funded by USDA Rural Development through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). This has been written before my training begins in early July, so I do not know a lot of the job specifics yet. One of my main duties will be to assist eligible systems in applying for loans and grants from Rural Development to help provide safe drinking water an improved wastewater treatment. While visiting systems throughout the state, I have already met many fine folks, and look forward to meeting many more of you. You can contact me on my cell phone at (402) 480-3596 or E-mail at [doug@nerwa.org](mailto:doug@nerwa.org).