



## John Redman *Durant*

John Redman is a Senior Economic Development Program Manager who has served the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma for the past five years. Mr. Redman works with communities and businesses within Choctaw Nation boundaries in an effort to facilitate community, business and economic development. He specializes in helping communities and local governments in identifying funding resources for critical infrastructure project in their areas in order to encourage or enable business development, expansion and retention. Additionally, Redman is responsible for conducting field visits with major employers in industry within the Choctaw Nation to assess strengths and needs such as employee retention and job creation.

Prior to joining the Choctaw Nation, Redman served the Rural Development Division of the U.S.D.A. for over thirty years as an Economic Development Specialist throughout Eastern Oklahoma. His role with the U.S.D.A. included duties involving financing critical community assets and infrastructure as well as agricultural and residential lending.

Mr. Redman is a graduate of Oklahoma State University with degrees in Forestry Management and Agricultural Economics. He is also certified as a BRE Coordinator through Business Retention Expansion International. In addition, Redman is a graduate of Leadership Oklahoma, Leadership Southeast, and Leadership Durant.

He is a resident of Durant, Oklahoma where he is a member of Durant First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), is married, and is the father of two sons.