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C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor
Toni Hardesty, Director

Sharla Cox, Administrative Assistant _____ July 12, 2011
Idaho Department of Water Resources
900 N. Skyline Dr., Suite A
Idaho Falls, ID 83402-1718

RE: Application to Permit No. 35-14144

Dear Ms. Cox,

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) has reviewed the information provided regarding the subject application and we are offering the following comments.

The project area is within 2/10 mile or less from the following regulated public water systems.

- Groveland Elementary School Dist 55,
- Groveland Water and Sewer District,
- Groveland Church.

The preliminary plat notes indicate septic needs for the development will be provided by the Groveland Water and Sewer District. However, this and all other lots of the 16 in the subdivision are to be served by individual wells. *Whenever feasible, IDEQ recommends consolidation of drinking water services to minimize the potential for public health impacts to well users and to ground water quality from faulty private well installations. The use of numerous individual wells also increases the potential for the introduction of contaminants to ground water. Rather than using individual wells, we recommend that the developer investigate the feasibility of connecting each lot to a regulated public drinking water system.*

If you have questions or comments, please contact me at 236-6160 or via email at tom.hepworth@deq.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Hepworth".

Tom Hepworth
Engineering Regional Manager

CC: Bruce Olenick, Regional Administrator, Pocatello Regional Office (email)

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