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C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor
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December 30, 2008

Timothy Campbell
258 Denver Cemetery Road
Grangeville, ID 83530

Dear Mr. Campbell:

We received your letter requesting comments on the approval of your application to the Idaho Department of Water Resources to appropriate 0.03 cfs (1.9 acre feet) of water for irrigation and for aesthetic storage from a pond that has been constructed on your property. Assuming all federal, state and local permits have been obtained, regulations met, and reviews completed, we offer the following comments.

The in-stream pond was constructed in Johns Creek, Idaho County. In the Idaho Water Quality Standards, Johns Creek is included in waterbody ID number 17060209SL057_02, and is protected for cold water and salmonid spawning aquatic life and primary contact recreation designated beneficial uses. Johns Creek is listed in section 5 of Idaho's current Integrated Report as not supporting the designated beneficial uses due to numerous pollutants. At no time will the proposed action be allowed to further impair these designated beneficial uses. Stream flow in Johns Creek must be maintained at all times to adequately sustain the designated beneficial uses.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your application. If you have any questions regarding the Idaho Water Quality Standards or the conditions listed above, please call us at (208) 799-4370.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kerby M. Cole".

Kerby M. Cole, P.E.
Regional Administrator

CC: Kay Walker, IDWR, Boise
Ray Hennekey, IDFG, Lewiston
Marti Bridges, DEQ