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April 20, 2007

W. Roger Warner
Idaho Department of Water Resources
900 N. Skyline Dr., Suite A
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402-1718

Re: Water Right Application No. 74-15733 (USDI – BLM)

Dear Roger,

Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) staff has reviewed the application from Bureau of Land Management for 0.02 cfs of spring water south of Clear Creek (Leadore). The intent of the application is to provide water for a 10 acre enclosure to support late sage grouse brood rearing. The project was developed with the assistance of IDFG and the Local Sage Grouse Working Group. This water withdrawal will not negatively impact fish or aquatic resources and will provide benefit to a variety of wildlife species in the area, therefore we support permit issuance.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this application and provide comments.

Sincerely,

James R. Lukens
Regional Supervisor

cc: Cindy Robertson
Walt Poole
Rick Carlson
Alan Bittner (BLM)
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