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April 7, 2005

Deborah J. Gibson
Idaho Dept. of Water Resources
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Dear Ms. Gibson,

I received from Mr. Roy Moore a copy of your letter requesting documentation of the delay on the water development project related to Permit No. 69-11500.

The proposed spring developments related to this permit are a cooperative project between the Idaho Department of Fish and Game (Department), the Rocking M Ranch and the Bureau of Land management (BLM). The intent of the project was to have construction completed in calendar year 2004. However, I was unable to find a contractor willing to take on the project. Currently, the Department is finalizing a funding and management agreement with the BLM for construction of both spring developments in July/August of 2005, and the project has been placed on the BLM's 2005 work schedule.

I am asking that the IDWR extend the permit for 2005 so the project can be completed this year. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 208-257-3363.

Sincerely,

Anna Owsiak
Regional Wildlife Biologist
Cecil D. Andrus WMA

Cc: Roy Moore