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Sent via email: tsmith@co.madison.id.us

Eastern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District Tod Smith, President 530 airport Road Rexburg, ID 83440

Dear President Smith:

The Department of Environmental Quality (Department) is authorized by the 2022 Idaho Session Law Chapter 189 to make and administer American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grants in order to provide financial assistance to qualifying entities. The Department Solid Waste Program may subaward ARPA grant funds for the purposes of supporting landfill closure activities and to support groundwater and surface water protection measures. The goal of projects funded under ARPA is to take steps to manage potential sources of pollution and prevent these sources from reaching sources of drinking water, or otherwise potentially impacting groundwater and surface water.

The Department has found that the Eastern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District (EIRSWD) has established eligibility for a grant under the terms of the Act and <u>May 2016, Overview of Clean Water State Revolving</u> <u>Fund Eligibilities</u>.

The Department has set aside \$3,000,000.00 in funding for the EIRSWD Regional Subtitle D Municipal Solid Waste Landfill development project. The Department is currently working on drafting the ARPA Grant Terms and Conditions Agreement (Agreement) which details the reimbursement process for the funding. The EIRSWD may begin submitting invoices for reimbursement of qualifying work once the Agreement is finalized. Full reimbursement is subject to continuous funding of the ARPA grants program at current levels by the state legislature in future fiscal years.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 208-528-2662 or <u>Amanda.freeman@deq.idaho.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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