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August 3, 2016

The Honorable David Davis, Mayor  
City of Jerome  
152 East Avenue A  
Jerome, Idaho 83338

RE: Finding of no significant impact (FONSI) reaffirmation for the City of Jerome  
Wastewater Improvement Project (WW1403 and WW1502)

Dear Mayor Davis:

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is hereby reaffirming the finding of no significant impact (FONSI) determination issued on February 12, 2014 for the City of Jerome Wastewater Improvement Project. Review of the determination was triggered by a scope change requiring replacement of the H Street lift station, rather than upgrades to the existing lift station.

The reaffirmation is issued following review of the following:

- August 2, 2016 *City of Jerome Wastewater System Improvement Projects H Street Lift Station EID Update*
- August 2, 2016 *Draft City of Jerome H Street Lift Station Upgrades Preliminary Engineering Report*
- An evaluation of the original and current scope of the project
- The physical environmental conditions of the proposed project area
- Effects to the environment from the proposed project
- The public views of the proposed project

This reaffirmation satisfies DEQ's environmental review requirements for DEQ loans WW1403 and WW1502, having been issued in accordance with the State Environmental Review Process (SERP), "Rules for Wastewater Treatment Facility Grants" (IDAPA 58.01.04), and "Rules for Administration of Water Pollution Control Loans" (IDAPA 58.01.12).

A legal notice for the FONSI reaffirmation is required to be published one time in the newspaper of record. DEQ will request the legal notice for the referenced project FONSI reaffirmation be published in the *Times-News* on August 9, 2016.

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Refer any questions regarding the proposed project to Joe Otero of the DEQ Twin Falls Regional Office at (208) 737-3885 or any questions regarding the FONSI reaffirmation to Mike May, DEQ State Office at (208) 373-0406 or via e-mail at [Michael.May@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:Michael.May@deq.idaho.gov).

Sincerely,

*TAW dld FOR BNB*

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Enclosure: Legal notice

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LEGAL NOTICE OF A FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT REAFFIRMATION FOR  
THE CITY OF JEROME WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT  
JEROME, IDAHO

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is reaffirming the finding of no significant impact (FONSI) issued on February 12, 2014 for the City of Jerome Wastewater Improvement Project. Review of the determination was triggered by a scope change requiring replacement of the H Street lift station, rather than upgrades to the existing lift station. The wastewater project includes:

- Replacement of the existing H Street lift station with a new lift station within the adjacent right of way
- Installation of a new 36 inch trunk line along North Ironwood Street and bored under the J-canal to the wastewater facility
- Installation of new collection line on North Fillmore
- Installation of a collection line to intercept flow at the intersection of S. Lincoln and 100 S.
- Wastewater treatment priority improvements 1, 2, and 3. Wastewater treatment improvements include upgrades to the existing facility as well as future expansion of the existing plant. Future expansion would include the installation or construction of new components and/or expansion of existing components.

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Copies of the information upon which the FONSI reaffirmation is based are available for public review on DEQ's website at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/water-quality/grants-loans/environmental-assessment.aspx> or at the following location:

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