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C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor
Curt Fransen, Director

April 2, 2013

The Honorable Nancy J. Chaney
City of Moscow
P.O. Box 9203
Moscow, Idaho 83843

RE: Environmental Determination for the City of Moscow New Drinking Water Well No. 10

Dear Mayor Chaney:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has completed a review of the Environmental Information Document for the City of Moscow New Drinking Water Well No. 10. The potential impacts on a number of environmentally sensitive resources were evaluated in the environmental review. The city's project engineer consulted with a number of appropriate state and federal agencies regarding relevant issues. The project meets state and federal criteria for issuance of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) since the environmental review process indicated no significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed project.

A FONSI legal notice will be published in the *Moscow-Pullman Daily News*, newspaper of record for the City of Moscow. DEQ has requested the *Moscow-Pullman Daily News* publish the legal notice one (1) time, on one (1) day, on Monday, April 8, 2013. The legal notice will explain how the public can obtain a copy of the full FONSI for review and will give instructions on how they can submit comments. A 30 day public comment period will follow the FONSI legal notice publication. Should there be public comments and concerns related to the project or FONSI, DEQ may ask your help in preparing responses.

Following the 30 day public comment period, any significant comments or concerns will be considered and incorporated as appropriate into the *final* FONSI determination for the referenced project. After issuance of the *final* FONSI, and with approval of all technical considerations in the facility plan, DEQ will be able to proceed with the State Revolving Fund loan.

Michael Camin, DEQ Lewiston Regional Office (208) 799-4888, is your local DEQ contact on the referenced project. Please keep him informed of progress on the project.

Sincerely,

Barry N. Burnell

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Water Quality Division Administrator

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Enclosures

c: MaryAnna Peavey, DEQ State Office (TRIM)
Michael Camin, P.E., Lewiston Regional Office Engineering Manager (TRIM)
Les MacDonald, P.E., Moscow Public Works Director (lmacdonald@ci.moscow.id.us)
Kyle Steele, Moscow Environmental Compliance Coordinator (ksteele@ci.moscow.id.us)

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Date: April 2, 2013

To: All Interested Government Agencies, Public Groups, and Individuals

Subject: Environmental Determination for the City of Moscow New Drinking Water Well No. 10

In accordance with the Rules for Administration of Drinking Water Loan Program (IDAPA 58.01.20), an environmental review has been performed and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been issued by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) on the project described below:

Project:	City of Moscow Drinking Water Well No. 10
Location:	Moscow, Latah County, Idaho
DEQ Loan:	To Be Determined
Total Loan Project Cost:	$2,700,000.00

PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF IMPACTS:

Purpose of Project: The purpose of the proposed project is to comply with the Idaho Rules for Public Drinking Water Systems by adding a redundant source.

Description of the Project: The proposed project involves:

- Construction of a new drinking water well, well house and appurtenances; and
- Installation of approximately 880 linear feet of new water mains.

Direct and Indirect Impacts: An Environmental Information Document (EID) was prepared by the City of Moscow. The City and DEQ consulted with appropriate state, federal and tribal agencies regarding relevant environmentally sensitive resources. Based on the consultation with agency experts, Moscow and DEQ evaluated the potential short- and long-term impacts and the direct, indirect and cumulative impacts of the proposed drinking water improvements. The evaluation emphasized site-specific components of the environment that are most likely to be impacted by the construction and operation of the proposed project. The evaluation results indicate that there will only be short-term impacts impacts, as described below:

Short term impacts may occur during project construction that includes temporary disruption of the distribution system, increased noise, increased dust pollution, increased potential for stormwater runoff, and disruption of localized traffic conditions. The project contractor is responsible for managing the temporary disruptions of the system as follows:

- Air Quality: Temporary dust pollution impacts will be controlled as a condition of the construction specifications in accordance with the DEQ Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho, IDAPA 58.01.01.651 (rule). The rule states that reasonable precautions for dust control and suppression include using water or chemicals, applying dust suppressants, covering trucks, paving, and removing materials. In addition to the rule requirements, it is recommended that a dust prevention and control plan be implemented during construction of the project that includes DEQ Best Management Practices (BMPs) to minimize dust pollution for fugitive dust control.

- Cultural Resources: If archeological artifacts (such as beads, arrow heads, pottery, fabric, grave goods, glass, metal fragments or other human made objects that appear to predate 1960) or human remains (such as bones, bone fragments or teeth) are inadvertently discovered during construction, ground disturbing activities shall cease and the State Historical Preservation Officer (SHPO), the Nez Perce Tribe and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe shall be notified. They can be reached by telephone at (208) 334-3847, (208) 621-3851 and (208) 686-1572, respectively. Mitigation measures will be implemented as directed by SHPO and the Tribes, and work will not resume at the discovery site without their consent. If human remains are discovered, in addition the Moscow Police Department and the Latah County Coroner will be contacted at (208) 882-2677 and (208) 883-2248, respectively, and work will not resume until law enforcement has also released the site.

- Stormwater: Stormwater runoff shall be handled through an Environmental Protection Agency Stormwater Construction General permit and the development of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). The SWPPP and stormwater BMPs will be implemented prior, during and after project construction to reduce the potential for erosion from runoff.

- Noise impacts from the project construction will be reduced by restricting work hours to reasonable times identified in the construction specifications.

- Any other appropriate BMPs, wherever possible, to avoid or minimize impacts from other construction activities.

The following permits will be required for this project:

- A well drilling permit from the Idaho Department of Water Resources

- Any other local, state or federal permit required for activities taking place during project construction.

Beneficial Impacts: Overall, the completion of the proposed project will have long term positive effects through improved reliability of the water system and improved fire flow.

Finding: The review process did not indicate significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed action. Consequently, a preliminary decision has been made that an Environmental Impact Statement does not need to be prepared for the proposed project. Instead, a FONSI is hereby issued by DEQ. This decision is made following a careful review of the *City of Moscow Comprehensive Water System Plan*, the *City of Moscow Well No. 10 Environmental Information Document*, and supporting documentation.

AVAILABILITY OF COPIES:

Copies of the notice of a FONSI, the *City of Moscow Comprehensive Water System Plan*, the *City of Moscow Well No. 10 Environmental Information Document*, and supporting documentation upon which it is based are available for public review on the DEQ web site at <www.deq.idaho.gov/public-comment-opportunities> or at the following locations:

Department of Environmental Quality State Office
Division of Water Quality
1410 North Hilton
Boise, Idaho 83706
Grant/Loan SERP Contact: Mike May — (208) 373-0406

Department of Environmental Quality Lewiston Regional Office
1118 "F" Street
Lewiston, Idaho 83501
Regional Office Contact: Michael Camin, P.E. – (208) 799-4888

City of Moscow Public Works Department
221 East 2nd Street
Moscow, Idaho 83843
Contact: Public Works Director Les MacDonald – (208) 883-7028

The public will be informed about the proposed project and their opportunity for comment through the *Moscow-Pullman Daily News*, one time in the Monday, April 8, 2013 publication.

Public Comments: Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision must be submitted on the DEQ web site <www.deq.idaho.gov/public-comment-opportunities > or addressed to:

Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Water Quality
Grant and Loan Program
1410 North Hilton Street
Boise, Idaho 83706
Attention: Mike May, Grant/Loan SERP Staff

All comments must be postmarked or delivered on or before Wednesday, May 8, 2013. After an evaluation of public comment, DEQ will make a final decision. No administrative action will be taken on the project for at least thirty (30) calendar days after publication of the draft FONSI Notice.

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Water Quality Division Administrator

LEGAL NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Date: April 2, 2013

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City of Moscow New Drinking Water Well No. 10
Latah County
Moscow, Idaho

This environmental determination was made as a result of the review process indicating no significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed project. There may be several environmental effects from the referenced project as described below.

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> Mike May, Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, Loan Program, 1410 N. Hilton Street, Boise, Idaho 83706.

Such comments must be postmarked or delivered on or before Wednesday, May 8, 2013. Public comments will be considered in finalizing the planning phase of the project. No administrative action will be taken on the project for at least thirty (30) calendar days from the date of publication.

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Water Quality Division Administrator

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C. L. "Butch" Otter, Governor
Curt Fransen, Director

April 2, 2013

Karen Lewis
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legals@dnews.com

RE: Legal Notice Publication: Notification of a Finding of No Significant Impact for the City of Moscow New Drinking Water Well No. 10

Dear Karen:

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality requests the enclosed legal notice be published in your newspaper. This request is to satisfy the state rule requirement that the notice of an environmental determination be given in advance of the intended action. To comply with the aforementioned legal requirements and the dates contained in the legal notice, we hereby request the legal notice be published one time, on one day, on Monday, April 8, 2013.

Please compress the legal notice by eliminating any unnecessary lines and spaces. A formatted legal notice is attached for your convenience. If you are unable to publish on the requested date, please call for further instructions.

Following publication, please send: one (1) affidavit; one (1) proof of publication; and the billing invoice to:

Dawn Shepherd
Department of Environmental Quality
1410 North Hilton
Boise, Idaho 83706

Failure to send the billing invoice to the address and contact person identified above could result in a delay in the processing of your invoice.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please call Mike May at (208) 373-0406 if you have any questions.

MaryAnna Peavey, DEQ Loan Program Coordinator

Enclosure: Formatted Legal Notice