




# Overview of DEQ funding from “The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009”

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# Programs Receiving Stimulus Money

All of the funding that **will** come to DEQ from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) **will be directed** to programs that already exist within the agency. Below is a list of the programs that have received (or will be receiving) money.

1. Cleanup of Leaking Underground Storage Tanks
2. Bunker Hill Superfund Site Yard Remediation
3. Diesel Retrofit Projects
4. Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds
5. Water Quality Management 604(b) Grant

# Cleanup of Leaking Underground Storage Tanks

These funds will be used to clean up leaking underground storage tanks throughout the state. Projects will come from an existing DEQ priority list. The list is prioritize based on the level of environmental/public health threat posed.

- \$1.3 M anticipated for Idaho
- Approximately 130 eligible sites
- Up to four years to complete the work
- Existing contractors to perform the work
- Cleanup up to 30 sites

# Bunker Hill Superfund Site Yard Remediation

These funds will be used for the Bunker Hill Yard Remediation Program. They will accelerate the existing clean up schedule.

- \$10M - \$25M (over next two years)
- Two years of increased funding (then resume normal funding)
- Additional contractor hired for seasonal work
  - Create approximately 70 additional seasonal jobs

# Diesel Retrofit Projects

These funds will be used to retrofit older, higher polluting school bus engines throughout the state. They are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. The state is also going to apply for a competitive grant to help replace old buses.

- \$1.7M anticipated for Idaho for retrofits
- \$1.5M - \$2M available through competitive grant applications
  - 50% match for new bus purchases
- Up to two years to complete the work
- Contractors will compete for work
- Is money still available???? (Jorge)

# Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Funds

These funds will be used for drinking water and wastewater infrastructure improvements throughout Idaho. The funding increase will allow DEQ to assist more communities this year than typical. Money will go out in the form of low interest loans. Some principle forgiveness will occur for “disadvantaged” communities.

- \$38.7M anticipated for Idaho
  - \$19.2M for CWSRF
  - \$19.5M for DWSRF
- \$761M in requests submitted to DEQ
- \$15M **Additional Appropriation from Governor’s Office** (should know final fate of this by time of presentation)
  - \$10M
  - \$5M
- Contracts for construction **by Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 2010**
- The Board of Environmental Quality approved our Intended Use Plans on April 21, 2009.

# Water Quality Management

These funds will be used for specific water quality studies. The Department already has a list of monitoring and water quality projects that this money will go towards.

- \$194K anticipated for Idaho
  - 1% of CWSRF funding
- Existing surface and waste water program within DEQ
- Until Sept. 30, 2010 to complete work