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Reply to
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JUN 28 2000

David Mabe, Administrator
State Water Quality Programs
Idaho Division of Environmental Quality
1410 N. Hilton
Boise, ID 83706-1255

Dear Mr. Mabe:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to approve the Lake Walcott TMDL for nutrients in Milner Reservoir submitted to us on December 29, 1999, with supplemental materials provided in a letter from you to Randy Smith dated June 22, 2000. The segment information on the TMDL being approved is:

<u>Waterbody</u>	<u>Segment</u>	<u>TMDL Parameter</u>
Milner Reservoir	Minidoka Dam to Milner Dam	Nutrients

We appreciate the commitment and hard work shown by the Lake Walcott Watershed Advisory Group and the Idaho Division of Environmental Quality in developing this TMDL. In particular, Clyde Lay should be commended for his efforts to complete this TMDL. We look forward to implementation of the TMDL, and continuing to work collaboratively on water quality issues in the Lake Walcott watershed.

By EPA's approval, these TMDLs are now incorporated into the State's Water Quality Management Plan under Section 303(e) of the Clean Water Act. If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to call me at (206) 553-1261, or you may call Leigh Woodruff of my staff at (208) 378-5774.

Sincerely,


for Randall F. Smith
Director
Office of Water

cc: Don Essig, IDEQ
Clyde Lay, IDEQ