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Reply To
Attn Of: OW-134

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

Re: Approval of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for the Rock Creek Watershed

Dear Mr. Mabe:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency hereby approves the Rock Creek watershed TMDL submitted to us on December 29, 1999, with supplemental materials provided on August 15, 1999. This TMDL addresses sediment in the Rock Creek watershed including the 3 waters listed below that were on the 1996 303(d) list.

Waterbody

Boundaries

Rock Creek	Confluence of East Fork and South Fork to Snake River
East Fork of Rock Creek	Headwaters to confluence with Rock Creek
South Fork of Rock Creek	Headwaters to confluence with Rock Creek

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. We look forward to implementation of the TMDL, and continuing to work collaboratively on water quality issues in the Rock Creek 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 ✓