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Senator Mike Crapo  
239 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Crapo:

This letter is being written to give our full support to the "Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act" as you have introduced to Congress on August 3, 2006.

The Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts (IASCD) is a private non-profit corporation, established in 1944 and represents Idaho's 51 conservation districts. We feel your legislation has resulted in establishing a comprehensive land management plan for Owyhee County. We commend your leadership in using a collaborative decision-making process in working with the local stakeholders to resolve their public lands management issues.

We believe this Act establishes realistic and acceptable compromises in addressing the needs of all local stakeholders. Again, we commend you for your belief in and use of the collaborative decision-making process in resolving natural resource and environmental issues. You have our full support of the "Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act" and hope Congress agrees with its importance and takes the appropriate action for it to become law.

Sincerely,

Kyle Hawley  
IASCD President

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