



## **Interior Appropriations Requests**

**The following requests are Idaho-related projects supported and sponsored by Senators Crapo and Risch:**

**Item Name:** Albeni Area Water System Construction and Sewer System Extension Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Oldtown, Idaho

**Location of work:** Oldtown, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support the provision of water and sewer services to underserved areas

**Project Description:** Current service is provided by individual wells and septic systems that are inadequate or are failing. Local business cannot expand due to lack of fire flow. This project will provide water and sewer service to areas of Oldtown, Idaho, that currently do not have city services.

**Item Name:** Carbon Dioxide Sequestration Science and Policy

**Amount Requested:** \$1,600,000

**Recipient:** Boise State University

**Location of work:** Boise, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support science and research in carbon sequestration technologies

**Project Description:** The Carbon Dioxide Sequestration Science and Policy initiative will develop nationally-recognized science, engineering, and policy capabilities for implementing carbon sequestration options that safely and economically mitigate greenhouse gas emissions.

**Item Name:** Cascade Sewer Improvements Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Cascade, Idaho

**Location of work:** Cascade, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support the City of Cascade's sewer treatment facility.

**Project Description:** The City of Cascade's sewer treatment work leaks and allow stormwater, snowmelt, and groundwater infiltration. The State of Idaho has placed the city under a sewer moratorium and no new connections are allowed until the treatment works are improved and the collection system repaired.

**Item Name:** City of Aberdeen Wastewater Improvements Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Aberdeen, Idaho

**Location of work:** Aberdeen, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Aberdeen sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The wastewater project will implement improvements to both the collection and treatment systems by replacing aged and failing components and increasing design capacity of the treatment plant. Implementation of these projects will enable the city to satisfy the requirements of its NPDES discharge permit through increased system performance and efficiency.

**Item Name:** City of Bellevue Wastewater System Improvements

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Bellevue, Idaho

**Location of work:** Bellevue, Idaho

**Public Interest:** This project will bring the City into compliance with current and future state and federal regulations.

**Project Description:** The project includes the construction of a new wastewater treatment facility to serve the residents of the City of Bellevue and the rehabilitation of several City sewage pump stations.

**Item Name:** The City of Buhl for wastewater treatment infrastructure

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Buhl, Idaho

**Location of work:** Buhl, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Buhl sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Buhl is exceeding the NPDES limitations for its wastewater treatment system. The project will address system requirements needed to fulfill environmental permits.

**Item Name:** City of Burley Wastewater Infrastructure

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Burley, Idaho

**Location of work:** Burley, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Burley sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Burley has a need to add wastewater equipment to two existing wastewater plants. These two plants provide wastewater treatment to the residents and industrial customers in both the Cities of Heyburn and Burley.

**Item Name:** City of Emmett Water System and Wastewater System Improvements Project

**Amount Requested:** \$480,000

**Recipient:** City of Emmett, Idaho

**Location of work:** Emmett, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Emmett's drinking water system and sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Emmett must upgrade the drinking water facility and implement additional treatment processes to meet EPA quality standards.

**Item Name:** City of Fruitland Water Treatment System and Wastewater System Improvements

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Fruitland, Idaho

**Location of work:** Fruitland, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Fruitland drinking water system and sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The city must upgrade its existing drinking water facility and implement additional treatment processes to meet EPA quality standards.

**Item Name:** City of Gooding Water Improvements Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Gooding, Idaho

**Location of work:** Gooding, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Gooding water system improvements

**Project Description:** Since the early 1900s, the City of Gooding, Idaho, has utilized a gravity ditch system to provide irrigation water for residents. Due to many factors, the city would like to decommission the ditch irrigation system and supplement the drinking water system by constructing wells and upgrading the distribution system.

**Item Name:** City of Greenleaf Wastewater System Improvement

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Greenleaf, Idaho

**Location of work:** Greenleaf, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Greenleaf sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Greenleaf is under a state environmental order to replace an existing failed sewer system that serves only a portion of homes. The project underway is comprised of installing sewer collection mains and constructing a wastewater treatment plant.

**Item Name:** City of Idaho City Warm Springs Sewer Extension

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** Idaho City, Idaho

**Location of work:** Idaho City, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support Idaho City sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The Warm Springs Sewer Extension project is designed to open up a service corridor along State Highway 21. The project will install over 14,000 feet of gravity and pressure sewer lines and will connect property owners to the city's wastewater treatment plant. The expansion will allow further growth and development to occur by providing sanitary sewer connections for local businesses and home owners.

**Item Name:** City of Kamiah Water System Improvement Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Kamiah, Idaho

**Location of work:** Kamiah, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Kamiah water system improvements

**Project Description:** The project will replace the 45-year old plant with new, more efficient equipment including pre-treatment equipment that will allow the city to provide enough water to its residents without backwash and boil order issues. In addition, the project will include distribution system improvements to eliminate the 45% water loss.

**Item Name:** City of Kendrick Wastewater System Improvements

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Kendrick, Idaho

**Location of work:** Kendrick, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Kendrick sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Kendrick completed an evaluation in 2009 to modify its wastewater treatment system and bring it into compliance with its NPDES Permit. The project helps the city meet its regulatory requirements.

**Item Name:** City of Marsing Sewer Main Rehabilitation

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Marsing, Idaho

**Location of work:** Marsing, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Marsing sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The city has a critical need to repair or replace a section of sewer main line that is failing. Marsing is 70 percent low-income, has rising unemployment and is struggling to raise the resources to repair this critical sewer infrastructure and avoid a possible environmental crisis.

**Item Name:** City of Meridian Ground Reservoir and Reclaimed Water Infrastructure

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Meridian, Idaho

**Location of work:** Meridian, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Meridian water supply and water infrastructure.

**Project Description:** City water is provided through 18 active water wells. It currently has two water reservoirs used for temporary storage and emergency water supply. Because of the limited storage capacity, the City is dependent on the instantaneous pumping capacity of its well field for daily and emergency consumption, which is significantly less than half of the daily demand for the city. The second purpose is to expand the infrastructure required to deliver pressurized reclaimed water to areas of the city currently dependent on potable water as a source of irrigation water and other non potable uses.

**Item Name:** City of Rexburg Storm Water Infrastructure Design and Improvements

**Amount Requested:** \$346,500

**Recipient:** City of Rexburg, Idaho

**Location of work:** Rexburg, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Rexburg storm water system improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Rexburg has seen significant growth in its population recently. This increase in population has created a sizeable impact on the storm sewer infrastructure. The storm sewer system is no longer able to handle minor storm events without causing flooding, significant improvements are needed to comply with the Clean Water Act.

**Item Name:** City of Rigby Wastewater System Improvements

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Rigby, Idaho

**Location of work:** Rigby, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Rigby sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Rigby experiences high amounts of groundwater infiltration in its deteriorated wastewater collection system piping and manholes. These improvements are required by the EPA and State of Idaho.

**Item Name:** City of Salmon Wastewater Improvements Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Salmon, Idaho

**Location of work:** Salmon, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Salmon sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The wastewater project will implement improvements identified in the 2010 Facilities Planning Study, including treatment plant upgrades and selected collection line replacement/repair, as well as green infrastructure for wastewater reuse to preserve treatment plant capacity and to attain adequate wastewater treatment to consistently meet discharge limitations and protect the water quality of the Salmon River.

**Item Name:** City of Soda Springs Municipal Water System and Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Soda Springs, Idaho

**Location of work:** Soda Springs, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Soda Springs water system and sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The Soda Springs wastewater treatment facility is over 60 years old and has made minor upgrades since that time. However, the plant can no longer meet the discharge permit requirements (NPDES) for ammonia, nor the forthcoming phosphorous limits. Therefore, the city must upgrade or replace the facility and implement additional treatment processes to achieve nutrient removal.

**Item Name:** City of Wendell Wastewater System Renovation Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Wendell, Idaho

**Location of work:** Wendell, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support City of Wendell sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The project consists of the comprehensive upgrade of the City of Wendell's wastewater collection and treatment system.

**Item Name:** Diamond Creek Rare Earths Assessment Project

**Amount Requested:** \$1,000,000

**Recipient:** U.S. Rare Earths, Inc.

**Location of work:** Diamond Creek, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support promotion of a domestic source of rare earth metals

**Project Description:** The availability of rare earths is vital to our nation's ability to innovate new technologies, create green jobs, and advance next generation national security systems. Today, no significant production of rare earth metals takes place in North America. It is anticipated that the deposits at Diamond Creek could contain enough accessible and minable rare earths to make the United States independent from reliance on foreign suppliers.

**Item Name:** Eastern Idaho Regional Wastewater Authority Project Regional Treatment Expansion

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Ammon, Idaho

**Location of work:** Ammon, Idaho

**Public Interest:** To support regional sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The Oxbow Regional Treatment Plant is planned to be expanded to accommodate the additional flow from the Eastern Interceptor that is currently being constructed to bring flow from the City of Ammon. This second phase of the treatment plant will serve the City of Ammon and developed areas within Bonneville and Bingham Counties.

**Item Name:** Historic Old Pen Site Stabilization Project

**Amount Requested:** \$210,000

**Recipient:** Idaho State Historical Society

**Location:** Boise, Idaho

**Public Interest:** The Old Penitentiary plays a key role in the economic vitality of Boise and the Treasure Valley

**Project Description:** This project will provide stabilization to the Old Idaho State Penitentiary historic site, which is operated by the Idaho State Historical Society.

**Item Name:** Ice Age Floods National Geographic Trail

**Amount Requested:** \$250,000

**Recipient:** National Park Service

**Location of work:** Pacific Northwest

**Public Interest:** To support National Park Service establishment of the Ice Age Floods National Geographic Trail

**Project Description:** The immediate goal for this project is for the National Park Service to put a trail management team in place and to produce a management and interpretation plan. When the plan is implemented it will result in an integrated trail linking the outstanding features left behind by the cataclysmic Glacial Lake Missoula Floods.

**Item Name:** Idaho Sage Grouse Management Plan

**Amount Requested:** \$1,000,000

**Recipient:** Idaho Governor's Office of Species Conservation

**Location of work:** Boise, Idaho

**Federal Support Interest:** To assist the Governor and State of Idaho in implementing a sage grouse management plan in concert with the Endangered Species Act

**Project Description:** Continued and expanded conservation efforts are needed to help Idaho be successful in retaining management of this species.

**Item Name:** Idaho Wolf Recovery

**Amount Requested:** \$1,472,000

**Recipient:** State of Idaho and Nez Perce Tribe

**Location of work:** Idaho

**Project Description:** With adequate funding, the Nez Perce Tribe and the State of Idaho will continue their efforts to effectively manage Idaho's growing wolf population.

**Project Description:** Funds will cover the costs associated with monitoring, collaring, research, livestock depredation prevention and compensation, and public outreach and duties that were previously conducted by the USFWS.

**Item Name:** Implementation of Cultural Resources Protection Project / Owyhee Initiative

**Amount Requested:** \$1,000,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** Owyhee County, Idaho

**Project Description:** To assist in the protection of cultural resources as authorized in the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2009

**Project Description:** Public land and resource management conflicts in the western United States cost the taxpayer enormously because these matters are most often resolved in the legal system. One of the main purposes of collaborative efforts, such as the Owyhee Initiative, is to forge comprehensive management solutions that will keep these matters out of the courts.

**Item Name:** Land Exchange and Acquisition / Owyhee Initiative

**Amount Requested:** \$300,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** Owyhee County, Idaho

**Project Description:** To initiate land exchanges and purchases as authorized in the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2009

**Project Description:** Public land and resource management conflicts in the western United States cost the taxpayer enormously because these matters are most often resolved in the legal system. One of the main purposes of collaborative efforts, such as the Owyhee Initiative, is to forge comprehensive management solutions that will keep these matters out of the courts.

**Item Name:** Law Enforcement in Owyhee County / Owyhee Initiative

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** Owyhee County, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support law enforcement requirements as authorized in the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2009

**Project Description:** Nearly 70 percent of the five million acres within Owyhee County are administered by the Bureau of Land Management. This vast and remote landscape presents special challenges for cultural resource protection, recreation management, and search-and-rescue operations. The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes and Owyhee County have strong and well-established coordination processes with the BLM and will be important assets in putting improved law enforcement on the ground.

**Item Name:** Morgan Ranch

**Amount Requested:** \$2,200,000

**Recipient:** U.S. Forest Service

**Location of work:** Salmon-Challis National Forest

**Project Description:** To protect important natural and recreational resources

**Project Description:** The Forest Service has been working to protect important natural and recreational Salmon River resources by securing interests in critical inholdings from willing sellers. Protection of the 160-acre Morgan Ranch, the top priority in Forest Service's Idaho Wild and Scenic River acquisition program, will protect wildlife habitat and public access to the river for anglers and rafters, and improve Service fire and land management.

**Item Name:** Mountain West Water Institute

**Amount Requested:** \$1,500,000

**Recipient:** Idaho National Laboratory

**Location of work:** Idaho Falls, Idaho

**Project Description:** To assist in land planning systems, water resource allocation systems for policy-makers in the mountain west

**Project Description:** The Mountain West Water Institute (MWWI) is an Idaho National Laboratory-EPA collaboration to address water quality, quantity, and usage and efficiency issues across the mountain states region. The MWWI will provide the science, predictive tools and technology to help the region's water resources stewards and users assess, monitor, and adapt to changes in resource conditions driven by climate change/variability, population increase, and movement.



**Item Name:** National Environmental and Natural Resources Modeling and Visualization

**Amount Requested:** \$2,985,000

**Recipient:** University of Idaho

**Location of work:** Moscow, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support regional information management for environmental and energy issues

**Project Description:** The University of Idaho will build a regional information management system to support multidisciplinary research with an emphasis on climate, environmental, and energy issues. The ability to access, process, analyze, model, visualize, and synthesize information in all its shapes and sizes underlies well informed decision-making.

**Item Name:** Nez Perce Tribe Bighorn Sheep Restoration

**Amount Requested:** \$242,000

**Recipient:** Nez Perce Tribe

**Location of work:** Lapwai, Idaho

**Project Description:** To continue efforts to identify any problems with the bighorn sheep population and try and use the information to arrest and reverse the current downward trend

**Project Description:** This project will continue study to answer questions about how bighorn sheep use habitat and their movements and relative abundance in the Salmon River on the Payette and Nez Perce National Forests.

**Item Name:** Oregon National Historic Trail / Snake River Rim Recreation Management Area

**Amount Requested:** \$400,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** Snake River Rim Recreational Area

**Project Description:** To support preservation of recreational interests in the Snake River Rim Recreational Area

**Project Description:** This project will enable the BLM to purchase this 497-acre property from a willing seller to enhance the recreational benefits that drive the local economy, to protect this historic property from development, to provide an amenity to help attract local businesses, and to ensure a clean water supply for the surrounding cities.

**Item Name:** The Panida Theater Restoration

**Amount Requested:** \$930,000

**Recipient:** The Panida Theater

**Location of work:** Bonners Ferry, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support preservation of the historic Panida Theater

**Project Description:** The 550-seat historic Panida Theater, built in 1927, was rescued from demolition in 1985. This project is for safety and preservation purposes.

**Item Name:** Priest River Water System Improvement Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Priest River, Idaho

**Location of work:** Priest River, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support City of Priest River water system improvements

**Project Description:** The City of Priest River completed a Water System Master Plan in 2007. The Master Plan identified deficiencies relative to the existing water system source capacity, storage capacity, and delivery of adequate flow and service pressure in some regions of the service area.

**Item Name:** Quagga Mussel Interdiction and Outreach Program for Bear Lake

**Amount Requested:** \$1,255,000

**Recipient:** Bear Lake Regional Commission

**Location of work:** Bear Lake, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support invasive species removal in Bear Lake

**Project Description:** The Bear Lake Regional Commission was formed 30 years ago with a charter to protect the water quality of Bear Lake. Within the past ten years, Quagga Mussels have spread throughout waters within the U.S. Idaho has identified Bear Lake as the top priority for protection in the state.

**Item Name:** Raptor Research: Science to Support Conservation in the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area

**Amount Requested:** \$900,000

**Recipient:** Boise State University

**Location of work:** Boise, Idaho

**Project Description:** To help meet important federal research needs for science on management, restoration, and sustainability of raptors in southern Idaho

**Project Description:** The Snake River Birds of Prey NCA was established to conserve, protect, and enhance raptor populations and habitats. The area contains the largest nesting populations of raptors in North America, while allowing for agriculture, military training, energy development, tourism, and recreation. Boise State University's Raptor Research Center will continue to conduct priority research to support restoration efforts.

**Item Name:** Recovery of Endangered California Condor and Northern Aplomado Falcon

**Amount Requested:** \$900,000

**Recipient:** The Peregrine Fund

**Location of work:** Boise, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support continued recovery efforts of the California Condor and Northern Aplomado Falcon.

**Project Description:** The Peregrine Fund is currently managing restoration of the condor in the western United States. Serving as an important "indicator" species for environmental quality, these falcons are part of the dynamic and varied wildlife community associated with our southern grasslands.

**Item Name:** Recreation and Travel Planning / Owyhee Initiative

**Amount Requested:** \$300,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** Owyhee County, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support recreation and travel planning activities as authorized in the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act

**Project Description:** The Owyhee Initiative requires the BLM to complete travel management plans for motorized and mechanized off-highway vehicles for the Owyhee Front and the rest of the Owyhee County. Funding is required to comply with this directive and address one of the most pressing issues facing public lands in southwest Idaho.

**Item Name:** Rodeo Grounds Ranch

**Amount Requested:** \$2,000,000

**Recipient:** U.S. Forest Service

**Location of work:** Stanley, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support preservation of important recreational areas in the Sawtooth Mountains

**Project Description:** Forest Service works to conserve, primarily through conservation easements, the vital recreation resources, access, spectacular scenery, wildlife, and natural splendor of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. The Rodeo Grounds Ranch, located just outside of Stanley on the scenic byway that connects Boise to the Sawtooth Mountains, contains some of the finest fishing access, habitat, and scenery anywhere.

**Item Name:** Salmon River / Hell's Canyon Bighorn Sheep Project

**Amount Requested:** \$700,000

**Recipient:** U.S. Forest Service

**Location of work:** Hell's Canyon, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support protection of at-risk bighorn sheep populations

**Project Description:** Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep were classified as a sensitive species by Regions 4 and 6 of the USDA Forest Service, elevating the need to take proactive measures to restore these populations. Despite past management, bighorn sheep numbers continue to decline and are 10% of historic levels. The area of the proposed effort is the Salmon and Snake River drainages. Restoration measures will reduce the potential for listing under the Endangered Species Act.

**Item Name:** Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Fish and Wildlife Management and Development Program

**Amount Requested:** \$60,000

**Recipient:** Shoshone-Bannock Tribes

**Location of work:** Fort Hall, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support tribal fish and wildlife management activities

**Project Description:** The program is responsible for management of wildlife on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in Idaho. The program manages a large variety of wildlife species, including threatened and endangered Species, waterfowl, shorebirds, colonial nesting birds, raptors, upland game birds, mammals, reptiles, and amphibians.

**Item Name:** Silver City Historic District Building Restoration, Stabilization and Preservation

**Amount Requested:** \$100,000

**Recipient:** Historic Silver City Foundation

**Location of work:** Silver City, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support preservation of historic buildings in Silver City

**Project Description:** Silver City is one of the finest in-tact 19th Century western mining towns. The Silver City Historical District encompasses the entire town, including over fifty buildings, all of which are on the National Register of Historic Places. This project involves restoration, stabilization, and preservation work on several of the town's most historic buildings.

**Item Name:** Teton Valley Regional Water Reclamation Facility

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Driggs, Idaho

**Location of work:** Driggs, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support Teton Valley regional water reclamation facility improvements

**Project Description:** The existing wastewater treatment plant in Driggs, Idaho, has reached its treatment capacity and has failed to meet NPDES permit discharge requirements. The facility needs to be upgraded to increase capacity and meet current and future effluent requirements including a new effluent ammonia limit.

**Item Name:** Tribal Court Administrative Process Efficiency Program

**Amount Requested:** \$240,000

**Recipient:** Shoshone-Bannock Tribes

**Location of work:** Fort Hall, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support tribal court operations

**Project Description:** The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' Tribal Courts System needs to improve its administrative process within the court system and increase the efficiencies of the data entry and tracking of court proceedings/actions. With a newly-opened facility, the courts will increase the number of court proceedings that can occur simultaneously, and the increased activity will require additional personnel to maintain order and security, as well as track the proceedings in the court system.

**Item Name:** Tribal Substance Abuse Treatment Program

**Amount Requested:** \$400,000

**Recipient:** Shoshone-Bannock Tribes

**Location of work:** Fort Hall, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support tribal substance abuse treatment programs

**Project Description:** This program will assist substance abuse treatment for inmates of the newly-constructed Justice Center, located on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. The Justice Center will act as a regional detention center for youth and adults, with specific emphasis on Native American offenders from reservations/tribes located around the Pacific Northwest/Midwest regions.

**Item Name:** Upper Columbia United Tribes (UCUT)

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** BIA - OIP

**Location of work:**

**Project Description:** To support tribal environmental management activities

**Project Description:** The Upper Columbia United Tribes (UCUT), a federally-recognized tribal non-profit organization, provides natural and cultural resources management services and project coordination in conjunction with its five Member Tribes and for the benefit of all people in the region. This project supports required tribal participation in dozens of processes that affect natural and cultural resources, including permitting processes (such as FERC, Clean Water Act, ESA, NEPA), and processes involving federal hydropower operations and NW Power Act fish and wildlife program implementation.

**Item Name:** Upper Snake River (McCoy Creek) Property Acquisition

**Amount Requested:** \$2,100,000

**Recipient:** U.S. Forest Service

**Location of work:** Caribou-Targee National Forest

**Project Description:** To support preservation of critical recreational areas and wildlife habitat

**Project Description:** The Forest Service plans to acquire a 320-acre inholding on McCoy Creek, located in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest in eastern Idaho, to protect imperiled Yellowstone cutthroat trout and significant scenic, recreational, and other wildlife and plant resources. Purchase of the McCoy Creek parcel will help protect the local watershed and wetlands, project wildlife habitat, prevent the listing of another endangered species, and sustain the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.

**Item Name:** Upper Snake / South Fork Snake River ACEC / SRMA

**Amount Requested:** \$3,000,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** South Fork of the Snake River

**Project Description:** To protect valuable habitat and migration corridors from fragmentation caused by subdivision and development

**Project Description:** This project will enable the BLM to purchase conservation easements from local Idaho farmers and ranchers on a willing-seller basis to conserve high value Snake River frontage properties.

**Item Name:** Weiser Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** City of Weiser, Idaho

**Location of work:** Weiser, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support City of Weiser sewer treatment facility improvements

**Project Description:** The city's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) is nearly 30 years old and suffering from dilapidated and aging equipment and infrastructure. In addition, recent and new regulatory water quality limits in the Snake River necessitate infrastructure and technologic modifications in the treatment process. The WWTP upgrades will replace or upgrade aging infrastructure and implement improvements that will enhance effluent water quality characteristics which improve water quality in the Snake River.

**Item Name:** Wetlands / Green Infrastructure to Address Boise River Phosphorous

**Amount Requested:** \$514,120

**Recipient:** City of Boise, Idaho

**Location of work:** Boise, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support innovative Boise River protection activities

**Project Description:** This project utilizes the natural cleansing of wetlands to provide greater environmental benefits at lower costs for agricultural drains and other water quality projects in Idaho and the U.S. Nutrient loading is a challenge facing all dischargers. Regulated point source dischargers need opportunities to partner with the non-regulated non-point source dischargers to achieve better outcomes at less cost.

**Item Name:** Wilderness and Wild and Scenic River Management / Owyhee Initiative

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** Bureau of Land Management

**Location of work:** Owyhee County, Idaho

**Project Description:** To support wilderness and wild and scenic river management as authorized in the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2009

**Project Description:** This project will complete wilderness and wild and scenic rivers management plans for the Owyhee Initiative, as well as provide for enhanced resource protection and recreation management.

**Item Name:** Wolf Livestock Loss Demonstration Project

**Amount Requested:** \$500,000

**Recipient:** Idaho Governor's Office of Species Conservation

**Location of work:** Idaho

**Project Description Project Description:** The Wolf Livestock Loss Demonstration Project provides funds to states and tribes to compensate for wolf related livestock losses, as well as funding for non-lethal wolf deterrents. Funding for this program will help alleviate the stress to livestock producers in Idaho who continue to incur significant costs due to wolf depredation on domestic livestock. Funding will also provide more options for dealing with depredating wolves through non-lethal methods.

Compensation for wolf-related livestock losses helps build tolerance for wolves while the implementation of non-lethal control methods will help reduce conflicts with livestock without having to rely as much on less popular lethal control actions.

**Item Name:** Zebra and Quagga Mussel Monitoring and Prevention

**Amount Requested:** \$900,000

**Recipient:** Idaho State Department of Agriculture

**Location of work:** Idaho

**Federal Support Interest:** To support state invasive species eradication activities

**Project Description:** Zebra and quagga mussels were first discovered in the West in 2007. These highly-invasive species quickly spread throughout many western waters. The mussels are a major fouling organism and heavily impact water delivery systems, hydropower facilities, and fisheries. Idaho launched a proactive prevention and monitoring program for these species in 2009 to protect state and federal resources and infrastructure from infestations.