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April 28, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I support \$7.84 million for the Idaho Center for Agriculture, Food, and the Environment in Kimberly, Idaho in the FY 2023 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill.

The project sponsor for this project is the University of Idaho located at 875 Perimeter Dr MS 3010 Moscow, ID 83844.

The funding is designated to support the collaboration between the University of Idaho and the Agriculture Research Service's facility (USDA-ARS) in Kimberly.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. Researchers at USDA ARS in Kimberly work closely with the University of Idaho faculty to protect the sustainability of agriculture, identify ways to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, improve health of soil and quality of water, and increase the efficiency of irrigation while supporting the critical economic drive in Idaho, agricultural production.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Simpson April 28, 2022