CITY OF GRACE

Mayor – Jackie Barthlome Councilmembers: Mike Ridenour Kathy Tillotson Colleen Fluckiger Larry Allen



City Superintendent – Riley Crookston City Clerk/Treasurer – Shelley Reeves Deputy City Clerk – Loy Raye Phillips

April 12, 2022

Dear Congressman Simpson,

The City of Grace is in the process of updating the city wastewater treatment plant. The plant hasn't been updated since 1985. With a small population of just around 950 people we are trying to keep the costs down for our residents. We have passed a bond for \$3.2 million dollars and have been approved for a loan from the Department of Environmental Quality, but with the rate of inflation and unforeseen equipment reaching its lifetime and needing to be replaced that may not be enough to update the plant in the way that we were planning.

Any support would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jackie Barthlome

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Mayor

Other Community Stakeholder Support Letters – <u>Grace is a close-knit</u> <u>community, the pillars of which support this project!</u>



April 7, 2022

Shelley Reeves City Clerk/Treasurer 108 E Center Street Grace, ID 83241

RE: Grant for Sewer Project

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is for support of the sewer project that the City of Grace has on their list of projects that need to be completed. The city officials have realized that the present system is 25 or more years old and has many things that need to be addressed to meet the updated codes that have been made of the time period that this system has been in place.

During these economic conditions, the officials are doing the best they can in finding ways to finance such a project, but the costs of the materials continue to be inflated faster than they can raise funds. They have looked at the possibility of reducing the project to just the main needs of the community but feel that this would be a band-aid to what needs to be done. The community leaders do not want to raise the taxes on the members of the community due to the cost of this project and the burden it will put on the community.

Ireland Bank, a business in the community of Grace, is in full support of the city officials searching for alternative methods of funding such a project. Funding from such a source as this grant would be a great benefit in aiding the community to complete this project and allow the officials not to burden the residence with increased taxes to fund the project.

I thank you for considering the City of Grace for this grant.

Sincerely

Tom McBride Manager/AVP

Ireland-Bank.com



April 8, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to show our support for the City of Grace and their upcoming sewer project. The City of Grace is in need of many updates and the sewer project should definitely be considered top priority. Any funding given would definitely help defray costs and keep expenses down for local businesses and patrons.

Sincerely,

Cassie Rigby

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Rigby Plumbing & Heating, owner

May 2021 Bond Election Result - <u>Our Citizens voted for this project!</u>

STATE OF IDAHO COUNTY OF CARIBOU

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We, the commissioners of the county and state aforesaid, acting as a Board of Canvassers of Election, convened on May 24, 2021, do hereby state that the attached is a true and complete abstract of all votes cast within this county for the candidates and/or questions as they appeared at the election held on May 18, 2021, as shown by the records now on file in the County Clerk's office.

County Board of Canvassers

(County Seal)

STATE OF IDAHO
COUNTY OF CARIBOU

ss.

I, Denise Horsley, County Clerk of said county and state, do hereby certify that the attached is a full, true and complete copy of the abstract of votes for the candidates therein named and/or the questions as they appeared on the election ballot on May 18, 2021 for the City of Grace as shown by the record of the Board of Canvassers filed in my office this 24th day of May, 2021.

Denise Horsley

Caribou County Clerk

(County Seal)

CARIBOU COUNTY RESULTS MAY 18, 2021 ELECTION

BALLOT QUESTION

City of Grace

SHALL THE CITY OF GRACE, IDAHO, BE AUTHORIZED TO INCUR AN INDEBTEDNESS AND TO ISSUE AND SELL ITS REVENUE BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,200,000 TO PAY THE COST OF CONSTRUCTING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY, SAID BONDS TO BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM WASTEWATER SYSTEM REVENUES, OVER A TERM WHICH MAY BE LESS THAN BUT WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED FORTY (40) YEARS, AS MORE FULLY PROVIDED IN ORDINANCE NO. 2021-1?

The purpose for which the proceeds of the bonds will be used is for improvements to the wastewater system, to include improvements to waste treatment to meet federal requirements. The City currently has outstanding long-term indebtedness of \$1,928,247 paid solely from water system revenues. Since the bond will be paid solely from wastewater revenues, there will be no tax authorized on any taxable assessed value.

The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bonds is 2.0%. The total principal amount to be repaid over the life of the bonds is \$3,200,000; the total interest estimated to be paid over the life of the bonds is \$1,470,826; the total amount estimated to be repaid over the life of the bonds is \$4,670,826. The bonds will be payable over a term which may be less than but which will not exceed forty (40) years.

Precinct	YES	NO		
Grace 1	21 (9		
Grace 2	14	8		
TOTAL.	35	17		
	67.31%	32.69%		

2021 Idaho DEQ SRF Intended Use Plan Priority List <u>— We're Ranked!</u>

ATTACHMENT II. Priority List

State of Idaho Clean Water State Revolving Fund for the Period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF CLEAN WATER PROJECTS

Rank	Project	Rating Points	Regional Office	Est. Project Cost	Needs Category (for EPA use)	NPDES, Reuse or Land Application Permit #	Est. Cost of Green Infrastructure	Project Description	
1	Preston	291	Pocatello	\$28,000,000	I, II	ID0020214	\$1,000,000	Upgrades to the treatment system	
2	Wilder	246	Boise	\$5,649,000	I	ID-0020265	\$5,649,000	Repair of lagoon and implementation of land application	
3	Aberdeen	218	Pocatello	\$11,000,000	I, III-B	ID-002017-6	\$2,000,000	Upgrade treatment including final treatment of sludge and collection system	
4	Idaho City	208	Boise	\$3,720,000	II,III-A, III-B	M-108-03	\$25,000	Repair/replace lagoon, upgrade treatment and collection system	
5	Rigby	154	Idaho Falls	\$18,000,000	II	ID-0020010	\$200,000	Upgrades to the treatment system	
6	Grace	144	Pocatello	\$5,000,000	I, III-B	ID0023825	None	Upgrade treatment system and repair collection system	
7	Juliaetta	142	Lewiston	\$5,500,000	I,II, IV-B	ID-002376-1	\$200,000	Upgrade to the treatment system and liftstation rehabilitation	
8	Moose Draw Association	121	Lewiston	\$750,000	I	None	None	Implement a large scale absorption system to include purchase of land	
9	Moon Lake Ranch Owners Association	105	Boise	\$450,000	IV-A	None	None	Abandon existing treatment and transport waste to neighboring system. Moon Lake will be annexed into the Ea Sewer District	
10	Fairfield	85	Twin Falls	\$1,378,100	III-A	ID-0024384	None	Repair of collection system to fix inflow and infiltration	
11	Elk City Water and Sewer Association	42	Lewiston	\$91,000	III-B	ID0022012	None	Repair collection system	
12	Albion	42	Twin Falls	\$800,000	III-A	M-077-04	\$456,000	Repair of collection system to fix inflow and infiltration	
13	Rural Community Assistance Corp.	TBD	TBD	\$150,000	XII	None	\$150,000	Replacement of failing septic systems	
14	Emergencies	TBD	TBD	\$200,000	TBD	TBD	\$200,000	Emergency situations: repair of proximate cause of emergency and investigation costs to determine proximate cause	
	Totals ====>			<u>\$80,688,100</u>			<u>\$9,880,000</u>		

2022 Idaho DEQ SRF Intended Use Plan Priority List <u>— We're Ranked Again!</u>

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State of Idaho Clean Water State Revolving Fund for the Period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

Comprehensive Listing of Clean Water Projects

Rank	Project	Rating Points	Regional Office	Est. Project Cost	Needs Category (for EPA use)	NPDES, Reuse or Land Application Permit #	Est. Cost of Green Infrastructure	Project Description
1	Kendrick	285	Lewiston	\$3,400,000	I	ID-0024554	3,400,000	Upgrade treatment system, add new pump station, and establish infrastructure for land application
2	Kidd Island Bay Lots Sewer District	273	Coeur d'Alene	6,880,000	I, III-B	M-086-04	\$550,000	Upgrade treatment, add flow meter, rehabilitate septic tanks, lift station, and sewer main.
3	Wilder	260	Boise	\$5,649,000	1	ID-0020265	\$4,288,000	Upgrade treatment system, add new pump station and storage pond, purchase land and implement land application
4	Nez Perce	255	Lewiston	\$7,750,000	I	ID-0020397	\$0	Upgrade treatment system and establish infrastructure for land application
5	Homedale	252	Boise	\$10,344,000	I, III-B	ID-0020427	\$1,777,000	Upgrade treatment system, and repair collection system
6	Elk River	240	Lewiston	\$4,183,000	1	ID-0020362	\$840,000	Upgrade to the treatment system
7	Troy	240	Lewiston	\$5,127,000	I	ID-0023604	\$1,000,000	Upgrade to the treatment system
8	Gooding	236	Twin Falls	\$19,750,000	I,II, III-B	ID-002002-8	\$100,000	Upgrade treatment system and repair collection system
9	Sandpiper Shores Master Utility	233	Coeur d'Alene	\$1,650,000	I, III-B	M-072-03	\$16,000	Upgrade treatment system and repair collection system
10	Winchester	208	Lewiston	\$3,000,000	I, III-B	ID-0020184	\$0	Upgrade treatment system and repair collection system
11	Boise	205	Boise	\$258,730,000	I, II	ID-0023981 ID-0020443	\$184,000,000	Upgrade to Lander Street and West Boise treatment systems
12	Grand View	195	Boise	\$1,379,000	I	unknown	\$10,000	Upgrade to the treatment system

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13	Kingston- Cataldo Sewer Dist.	195	Coeur d'Alene	\$3,950,000	I, III-B	unknown	\$2,500,000	Construct new treatment system and lift station
14	Garfield Bay Water & Sewer Dist.	148	Coeur d'Alene	\$1,250,000	I, III-B	M-003-04	\$215,000	Upgrade treatment system, repair and/or replace lift stations
15	Rigby	124	ldaho Falls	\$4,600,000	I, II	ID-0020010	\$0	Upgrade to the treatment system
16	Grace	119	Pocatello	\$5,000,000	I, III-B	ID-0023825	\$0	Upgrade treatment system and repair collection system
17	Roberts	82	Idaho Falls	\$2,059,000	III-B	ID-0026913	\$62,000	Upgrade and repair collection system and lift stations
18	Idaho Water Trust, Inc.	53	Boise	\$28,500,000	VI-C	ID-0030031	\$28,500,000	Levee repair and tributary, irrigation system, and construction of wetland
19	Grangeville	42	Lewiston	\$4,500,000	III-B	ID-0020036	\$0	Upgrade and repair collection system
20	Hidden Springs Sewer Company	35	Boise	\$1,200,000	I	M-174-05	\$240,000	Upgrade to the treatment system
21	Fremont County – Last Chance & Mack's Inn	10	ldaho Falls	\$15,500,000	_	M-057-04 M-058-04	\$4,500,000	Upgrade to the treatment system
22	Rural Community Assistance Corp.	TBD	TBD	\$150,000	XII	None	\$150,000	Replacement of failing septic systems
23	Emergencies	TBD	TBD	\$200,000	TBD	TBD	\$200,000	Emergency situations: repair of proximate cause of emergency and investigation costs to determine proximate cause
	Totals ====>			<u>\$394,751,000</u>			<u>\$232,348,000</u>	