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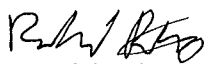
Congressman Mike Simpson ID-02
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Congressman Simpson,

The City of Rigby is seeking funding for improvements to its drinking water system. We completed a facility planning study with the engineering firm, Keller Associates, in November of 2023. The study revealed the system needs to improve and expand our existing infrastructure. There are two items of high priority requiring urgent attention. 1st priority is constructing an additional storage tank facility to meet peak demands and emergency situations. Currently we are 64% deficient. The 1.5 million gallon water storage tank will provide adequate storage to resolve the deficiency. The 2nd priority consists of upsizing a 6" pipe to a 16" pipe to provide adequate flow for the eastern part of the City. This line is a more extensive upgrade because it requires boring under Highway 20 and several railroad lines. The current 6" line creates a large flow constraint that inhibits the system from functioning properly.

The City of Rigby population is currently 5,447 and is growing. It is critical for us to begin now to address the inadequacies outlined in our study to meet our future needs and increased water demands. This funding would greatly assist the City in completing our highest priorities to best serve the citizens of Rigby. We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Mayor Richard Datwyler