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WATER RESOURCES

Dr. David Tuthill, Director  
Idaho Dept. of Water Resources  
322 East Front Street  
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Dear Dr. Tuthill,

We are writing you to express our concern over the large water right application the M3 Eagle Company is currently applying for their municipal water right to supply groundwater for their proposed planned community north of the City of Eagle.

We understand the M3 Eagle Company water right application is being processed right now. That a final decision will be handed down shortly. We feel that IDWA should reject or restrict this application because M3 is not a municipality. There is a lack of data, as well as conflicted data on the area's aquifer and water supply. We also understand that IDWR is currently working on a study of the affected area aquifer that will be completed by the end of this year. We feel that any decision on the M3 Eagle Company water right application should be delayed until the end of the year when the IDWR ground water study is reviewed and completed.

We want to see this water right application based on well understood hydro geologic study. We would like to see the granting of water rights in small quantities that are phased in over time so the effect can be monitored and managed. Also, piping water in from the Boise River or Payette River may be an option.

We all need to be responsible stewards of our natural resources.

Sincerely yours,

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