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## Cities throughout Idaho receive Arbor Day Grants

(Idaho Falls...April 2010). The Idaho Nursery and Landscape Association (INLA), in cooperation with the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL), Avista, Rocky Mountain Power, and Idaho Power, is pleased to announce the 2010 Arbor Day Grant recipients. This program helps cities celebrate Arbor Day, plant appropriate trees for energy conservation and fosters a stronger relationship between Idaho communities and the Nursery and Utility Industries.

Applications were sent to communities throughout Idaho and a lottery style drawing was held to determine who would receive the 40 grants available. 74 Arbor Day Grant Applications were received this year.

An Arbor Day Grant of \$300 will be given to the following cities for "Planting Idaho":

Ammon, Arimo, Bancroft, Boise, Bonners Ferry, Buhl, Chubbuck, Crouch, Culesac, Deary, Donnelly, Downey, Driggs, Filer, Hailey, Hayden, Hayden Lake, Inkom, Ketchum, Kimberly, Kooskia, Lava Hot Springs, Lewiston, Melba, Menan, Moscow, Nampa, New Meadows, Nezperce, Nez Perce County, Oakley, Orofino, Peck, Pocatello, Ponderay, Priest River, Swan Valley, Ucon, Victor and Weiser.

The celebration of Arbor Day represents a priceless opportunity for kids and adults alike to take positive action to make their world a better place and to learn about trees and the environment. The first celebration of Arbor Day took place on April 10, 1872. Arbor Day is officially celebrated in the U.S. and Idaho on the last Friday in April (April 30<sup>th</sup> this year). However communities may be celebrating on a different day due to the climate and planting conditions in their area. ***This year, help your city celebrate trees by celebrating Arbor Day in Idaho!***