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CRAIG COMMITTEE GIVES GREEN LIGHT TO IDAHO TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING PROJECTS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Idaho Senator Larry Craig, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, today secured \$6.5 million for Idaho transportation and housing projects during a full Senate Appropriations Committee markup of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations bill. The bill includes \$5.5 million for transportation projects and \$1 million for housing projects in Mountain Home and Boise.

Craig commended his colleagues for approving the funding. “These projects are essential to maintaining and improving Idaho’s infrastructure,” Craig said. “I am especially pleased the committee has approved these investments in Idaho during a very difficult budget year.”

The Idaho projects included in the bill are:

- Mountain Home Community Center Complex -- \$300,000
- Idaho Transit Coalition Buses and Bus Facilities -- \$2,500,000
- City of Rocks Back Country Byway -- \$1,000,000
- Treasure Valley, Idaho Transit Facilities -- \$500,000
- FH-24, Banks to Lowman -- \$500,000
- I-84, Caldwell to Nampa Widening -- \$1,000,000
- City of Boise Geothermal System Extension to Boise State University -- \$700,000

In addition to the Transportation-HUD Appropriations bill, the Committee also unanimously approved the Energy and Water Development bill that contains millions of dollars for the Idaho National Laboratory and numerous water projects announced earlier this week. The Committee also approved the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations bill, which funds, among other things, the Small Business Administration, which serves as a valuable resource to Idaho’s small business owners.

All three bills now go before the full Senate for considerations.