



Application

for an

**Idaho Community Development Block Grant
For Improvements to the Municipal Wastewater Treatment System**

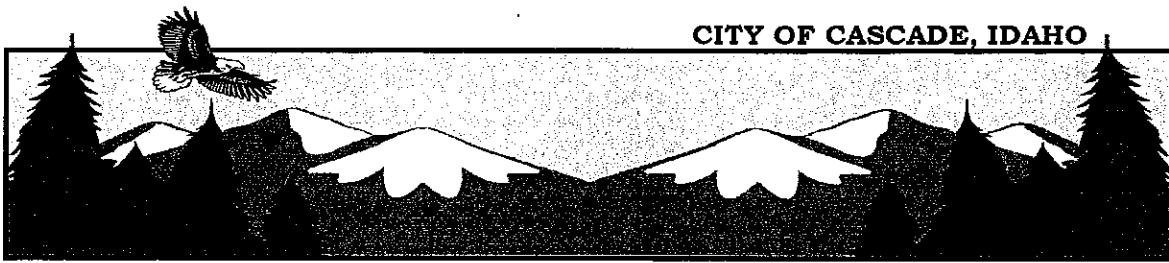
By

City of Cascade

11/18/2011

Submitted by Richard W. Carter, Mayor





11-18-2011

Director

Idaho Department of Commerce

P.O. Box 83720

Boise, Idaho 83720-0093

Dear Director;

The city of Cascade respectfully submits this application for an Idaho Community Development Block Grant. Our community needs support for upgrading our waste water treatment infrastructure bringing more economic opportunity to our City. We have selected a section within our total project scope for the block grant that is a specific problem area requiring a new lift station and pipeline leveling efforts correcting a frequent hazard condition.

This application for a \$500,000 dollar grant will contribute significantly to our current efforts for both stabilizing sections of our infrastructure and adding capacity to our system supporting economic growth for our future.

We appreciate your attention to our grant request and look forward to continuing our efforts.

Sincerely,

R.W. Carter

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R.W. Carter', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Mayor

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ICDBG Application Information Form

Applicant (City/County): Cascade, Valley _____ Chief Elected Official: Mayor Richard W. Carter _____

Address: P.O. Box 649, Cascade Idaho _____ Phone: 208-382-7204 _____
 DUNS # 017093787 _____ CAGE Code: 3MGL6 _____

Sub recipient (if applicable): _____ Chief Elected Official: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____

Application Prepared by: Sage Community Resources _____ Phone: 208-322-7033 _____
 Address: 125 E. 50th St. Garden City, ID 83714 _____

Architect/Engineer/Planner (Contact Name): Matt Neukom _____ Phone: 208.463.7561 _____
 Address: 5700 E. Franklin Rd. Nampa, ID 836687 _____

NATIONAL OBJECTIVE (MARK ONE)

LMI Area LMI Clientele Imminent Threat
 LMI Jobs Slum & Blight LMI Housing

PROJECT TYPE (MARK ONE)

Public Facility Community Center
 Infrastructure for Jobs Senior Center

PROJECT POPULATION TO BENEFIT (PERSONS) (Census/Survey/Clients/Jobs)

TOTAL # TO BENEFIT: 1542

TOTAL # LMI TO BENEFIT: 797

% LMI TO BENEFIT: 51.7 %

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project will prevent sewage back-ups, service disruptions and reduce fresh water infiltration and total wastewater treatment volumes through repairs to Cascade's sewage collections system including replacing sewer pipes, installing new back-up generators, replacing three failing lift stations and installing new manholes.

SOURCE	AMOUNT	DATE APPLICATION SUBMITTED	RESERVED/ CONDITIONAL AWARD	FUNDS COMMITTED/ CONTRACT AWARD DATE	DOCUMENTATION IN APPENDIX ***
ICDBG	\$500,000				
Local Cash	\$61,000			July 16, 2010	F
Local Bond/Loan*	\$2,231,455	January 2, 2012	May, 2011	TBD	SF
Local In-Kind**	\$5,000			June 2011	F
DEQ Wastewater Planning Grant	\$60,000	Oct 27, 2008		July 16, 2011	F
EPA State and Local Tribal Assistance Grant	\$447,000		June 30, 2011		F
TOTAL PROJECT FINANCING	\$3,304,255				

* Identify Loan Source- DEQ Wastewater State Revolving Loan Date Bond Passed - November 8, 2011

**Grant writing services donated- 50 hours of predevelopment labor @ \$50/hr

Economic Advisory Council Page

Needs	Benefits
<p>The sewer collection system is generally in poor condition. Extensive amounts of groundwater, snowmelt and rain water infiltrate the pipelines resulting in thousands of gallons of clean ground and storm water being processed at treatment plant. Shallow pipes are prone to freezing issues in winter months, and in some areas poorly installed pipes are causing sewage back-up issues and sanitary concerns.</p>	<p>Repairing collection system infrastructure will eliminate unnecessary treatment of storm and ground water eliminating additional expense and energy consumption caused by treating clean infiltration water. Replacing shallow and improperly installed pipes will prevent freezing, back ups and failures in the collection system, and reduce maintenance costs.</p>
<p>Future Growth Capacity: Cascade's population is expected to increase to 2,500 people (peak summertime population). Treatment capacity is currently at inflow rate limits and improvements are required to increase capacity.</p>	<p>Reducing the infiltration rates through collections system repairs will effectively increase the inflow capacity of the treatment system. Engineers estimate that infiltration reduction will completely offset the increased flow rates projected by future population estimates.</p>
<p>51.7% LMI Community meets CDBG National Objective. Cascade's median household income is \$23,500, which is half the average for Valley County residents.</p>	<p>Meets CDBG National Objective. Provide reliable and environmentally sustainable wastewater treatment services to a 51.7% LMI community.</p>

Local Financing Ability and Commitment-

- \$2.2M bond approved by the community.
- Sewer Facilities Planning Study funded and completed.
- Leveraged funds:
 - \$2.2M DEQ State Revolving loan fund secured.
 - \$447,000 EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grant

Funding Source	Amount	Uses
Idaho Community Development Block Grant	\$500,000	Replace 750 feet of sewer pipes from Cabarton subdivision to City Main lift station, repair Main City Lift Station, and install nine new manholes, and construct a building to house the back-up generator and future flow meters.
DEQ Wastewater State Revolving Loan Fund	\$2,231,455	Phase 1 and Phase 2 repairs to collections system.
EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grant	\$447,000	Phase 1 and Phase 2 repairs to collections system.
\$3,178,455		Total

Local and Regional Economic Impact

Cascade is situated on Lake Cascade and near Tamarack Resort. Tourist activities and real estate development are attracted to these features and provide welcome revenue for the local economy. However, current limitations in the wastewater treatment capacity threaten to cap these areas of potential growth. Completing the improvements to the wastewater system removes this limitation providing opportunities for the City of Cascade as well as nearby communities connected via the Payette River Scenic Byway.

Threshold Factors

Eligible Applicant

The applicant is a city The applicant is a county

If the applicant is sponsoring a sub-recipient or this is a joint application, describe the relationship and attach a draft agreement between the parties.

Eligible Activities

This Project involves improvements to the Cascade sewage collections system infrastructure and is therefore an eligible activity under ICDBG Public Facilities grant category.

National Objective

Low- and Moderate-Income Area Benefit:

Total number of households* in project benefit area 707 households, 51.7% LMI

*Note: For water and sewer projects, this is the number of households hooked onto the system and any households that will hook onto the system once the project is complete.

LMI Percentage Determined by: (Check one and complete requested information)

- Census Data – provide supporting documentation in Appendix.
- Income Survey – provide Survey Report in Appendix.
- Census and Survey – provide supporting documentation/report in Appendix.

Citizen Participation

The City of Cascade and City Council have discussed the wastewater treatment system improvement project at nearly every council meeting over the last year and a half. The City has mailed an informational flyer with utility bills to educate citizens about the project prior to the bond election that the City held to partially fund the project. Demonstrating their awareness and support of the project, the citizens of Cascade voted to approve the bond.

In addition, the City of Cascade hosted public hearings to discuss the facilities planning study, the bond election and the final project scope in accordance with ICDBG procedures. See Appendix A and B for documentation.

Date of Notice November 10, 2011 Date of Hearing November 17, 2011

Statewide Goal and Strategy

Check the goal and strategy that best corresponds to the project.

- Increased access to decent affordable housing (goal)
 - Sustain and increase homeownership (strategy)
 - Sustain and increase affordable rental housing (strategy)
 - Support equal access to a continuum of housing services (strategy)
- Preserved and enhances suitable living environments (goal)

- Improve safety and livability of communities (strategy)
Example – consent order
- Increase access to quality facilities and services (strategy)
Example – new construction
- Improve affordability and sustainability of quality facilities and services
Example – rehab or renovation

- Expanding economic opportunities (goal)
 - Create jobs primarily for low- and moderate-income persons (strategy)
 - Revitalize downtown business districts (strategy)

Administrative Capacity

Applicant Capacity

The City of Cascade has a contract City engineer on staff that will be the project manager for the Waste Water Treatment upgrade project. The engineer will work closely with the City Clerk, Certified Grant Administrator, and other City administration staff leveraging the Cities current accounting system to fiscally manage the project. The contract project manager has a system to manage the project which will track labor and expenses specific to the project. The labor and expenses will be coordinated with the city Clerk for tracking, invoicing, and project governance.

Over the years the City of Cascade has successfully managed public projects of significance including the recent support of Kelly’s White Water Park and the Counties Emergency Operations Center located in the City of Cascade. The EOC was in part a CDBG grant related project. The City of Cascade has recently passed a Bond Levy to secure the DEQ loan funding and was awarded a STAG grant to fund a portion of the project. Through the addition of the ICDBG funds for the Waste Water Treatment Upgrade Project we will be able to complete our project.

Grant Administrator

The City of Cascade procured a Certified Grant Administrator through the required process for the project. Sage Community Resources was awarded the contract as the successful applicant. Procurement documentation is in Appendix E.

Fair Housing

The City of Cascade has passed a Fair Housing Resolution (see Documentation in Appendix C).

Anti-Displacement Resolution

The City of Cascade has executed the certification form to comply with Commerce’s anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan. S

Program Income

This project will not generate any program income.

Project Description and Property

Project Description

The city of Cascade has an antiquated sewer collection system that has been neglected for many years due to lack of funding and is in desperate need of multiple repairs. The City has a severe infiltration problem in the spring during the snow melt due to leaky pipes, poor installation and crumbling manholes. The City as a whole experiences 12 times the normal expected volume of inflow into the sewer lagoons during the spring runoff. This presents the problem of having to process a huge amount of storm water as part of the normal lagoon functioning. Repairs to the collections system to reduce infiltration rates will increase the functional capacity of the treatment plant allowing the existing treatment system to accommodate projected population growth while eliminating environmental and health concerns.

The collection system repairs have been identified by the Facilities Planning Study and include replacing approximately 50% of the existing sewer pipe, removing abandoned service traps, installing new manhole covers, and repairing three degraded lift stations and installing back-up generators at the each of the refurbished lift stations for a total estimated cost of \$3,608,774.

The worst area in the collection system is in the southern part of Cascade in near the Cabarton subdivision, Harpo's gas station and the City's main yard along Hwy. 55. This area is prone to numerous sewage back-ups and overflows of raw sewage at surface level due to very shallow buried sewer lines, corrugated metal pipe manhole access, nearly flat slope pipe and poor design, which contaminate the area and run off towards the river. This piping flows towards the City's main lift station that is in desperate need of replacement. The concrete wet well is beginning to deteriorate, the pumps are old and unreliable and undersized to pump peak flows and a new building is needed at the lift station to house a back-up generator and future flow meters. The city wishes to allocate \$500,000 ICDBG funds and \$191,217 local cash to fund this portion of the collection system improvements (Site Plan in Appendix I).

Project Property & Permits

1. Has any property and easements been purchased for this project? Yes No
If yes, does the applicant have title to the property? Yes No
Provide copy of deed in Appendix.

2. Will any property be needed for this project? Yes No
Status of the purchase: _____
Estimated date of final purchase: _____
What funds will be used to make purchase? _____

3. Will any easements/or rights-of-way be needed for this project? Yes No
Status of the purchase: _____
Estimated date of final purchase: _____
What funds will be used to make purchase? _____

4. Is anyone living on the land or in the structures at the proposed site?
 Yes No
5. Is any business being conducted on the land or in the structures at the proposed site? Yes No
6. Are there any businesses, individuals, or farms being displaced as a result of this project? Yes No
7. Are there permits that will be needed for the project, i.e., well, water rights, land application, demolition permits, zoning permit, air quality permit, etc?
 Yes No
Status of the permits (include plan for securing permits and estimation of issue completion date): _____
8. Describe the ownership or lease arrangements for the property involved in the project. _____

Budget Narrative (See documentation of funding sources in Appendix F)

Government- \$3,238,455

The City of Cascade has secured funding from three government sources and is seeking ICDBG funds as a fourth government funding source.

1. \$60,000 DEQ Wastewater Planning Grant for facilities study plan
 - b. Grant has been secured and funding is spent
2. \$2,231,455 DEQ Wastewater State Revolving Loan
 - a. Loan has been pre-approved, local bond has passed, final application for loan will be submitted January 2, 2012
3. \$447,000 EPA State and Tribal Grant Assistance Grant (STAG)
 - a. The STAG grant was awarded to Valley County. Valley County has sub-granted the remaining funds to the city of Cascade for the waste water project.
 - b. Valley County has committed the balance of the STAG funds (\$447,000) to the city of Cascade as a sub-grantee for the wastewater system improvement project
4. \$500,000 If awarded, the ICDBG would contribute to this project

Local Cash- \$252,217

The City of Cascade has committed the following cash funds to the project:

1. \$191,217 of forgiveness funds from the DEQ Wastewater State Loan to the project.
2. \$1,000 expense for contracting professional services to conduct the LMI survey.
3. \$60,000 city cash funds spent as match to complete the Facilities Planning Study.

Local Match- \$5,000

The City of Cascade received 100 hours of donated grant predevelopment professional services from Sage Community Resources for this project.

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Private- \$0

No private funds are obligated for this project.

Idaho Community Development Block Grant Budget Form

Applicant or Grantee:

Project Name:

LINE ITEMS	CDBG	Cash	In-Kind	Federal*	State*	Private Cash	Private In-Kind	Total
Administrative*	\$50,000		\$5,000					\$55,000
Project Planning Design*		\$61,000			\$60,000			\$121,000
Design Professional	\$450,000			\$9,705				\$459,705
Construction				\$383,000				\$383,000
Equipment				\$8,295	\$2,231,455			\$2,239,750
Legal & Audit				\$46,000				\$46,000
TOTAL COSTS**	\$500,000	\$61,000	\$5,000	447,000	\$2,291,455			\$3,304,455

*Identify funding source.

**Administrative expenses and project planning design costs, when totaled, shall not exceed 10% of the total ICDBG amount.

Detailed Cost Analysis

1. Have preliminary plans and specs been submitted to regulatory agencies for review? Yes No
If yes, list date submitted: September 2010 _____
If no, list expected date to be submitted: _____
2. Has final design (for bidding) begun? Yes No
If yes, % complete: _____ %
If no, what is expected start date: January 2012 _____
3. Will project include bid alternatives to meet project budget if necessary? Yes No
4. Are Davis Bacon wage rates applicable to the project? Yes No
If yes, are they included in the project costs? Yes No
5. Have known environmental measures been included in project costs? (e.g., dust mitigation, archaeological survey, storm water drainage, wetland mitigation etc.) Yes No
6. List the last date the owner and design professional discussed project design and details. Date: 11/18/2011 _____
7. Design Professional Cost Estimate may be found in Appendix H.

Project Schedule

Project Activity	Date (to be) Completed	Documentation in Appendix
Design Professional Contract Executed	December 15, 2011	Appendix D
Grant Administration Contract Executed	November 15, 2011	Appendix E
Environmental Release	December 2011	Appendix G
Bid Document Approval	March 2012	---
Bid Opening	April 2012	---
Construction Contract Executed	April 2012	---
Start Construction	April 2012	---
Construction 50% Complete	July 2012	---
Second Public Hearing	July 2012	---
Certificate of Substantial Completion	Sept 2012	---
Update Fair Housing Plan	March 2012	---
Update 504 Review and Transition Plan	March 2012	---
Construction 100% Complete	November 2012	---
Final Closeout	December 2012	---

Name of Professional and Agency Contacts	Firm/Agency	Phone with Extension
Design Professional To be determined	Horrocks Engineering	208.463.7561
Funding Agency Gary Hanes	Idaho Department of Commerce	208-334-2470
Wastewater Grant Admin./Environ. Officer Kris Wilson	Business & Community Development Sage Community Resources	208.322.7033 ext. 242
City Clerk Pam DeChambeau	City of Cascade	208.382.4279
City Public Works Director	Randy Redmon	208.382.7204
City Attorney	White Peterson	208.466.4405
Mayor Richard W. Carter	City of Cascade	208.382.4279

Grantee Financial Profile

Is the Grantee a (circle one)

City

County

If a sub-recipient, what type of Organization (circle one)

Water District

Sewer District

Homeowner's Association

For-Profit Company

Non-Profit Company

Water Association

Fire District

Hospital District

Other (please explain): _____

Sewer System

Sewer Treatment Method - Three cell facultative treatment pond system followed by four rapid infiltration basins. _____

Do you have a Pre-treatment system? ___ Yes X No

Number of people served by the system	_ 1542 _
Number of residential connection on the system	_ 476 _
Number of commercial connection on the system	_ 114 _
Number of industrial connection on the system	_ - _
Number of new connections within the last year	_ 3 _

What are the current residential sewer rates	\$22/month
When was the last rate increase	June 2006
How much were the rates increased	\$2/month
Residential Connection Fee	\$4,834
Commercial Connection Fee	\$4,834/EDU
Industrial Connection Fee	\$4,834/EDU

Annual sewer system revenue \$223,865

Current dollar amount owed by customers in arrears \$1,113.21

Annual sewer system expenses \$305,686

Identify outstanding indebtedness: \$3,765,455

Years remaining	Annual Payment	Lender
_ 24 _	_ \$78,290 _	_ Idaho Bond Bank Authority _
_ 30 _	_ \$74,382 _	_ DEQ State Revolving Loan _

Land Use Planning related to Fair Housing

As part of the ICDBG program cities and counties are required to further fair housing within your community.

Coincidentally, the understanding and applicability of fair housing laws has become very important for cities and counties. In a recent legal case, Alamar Ranch LLC v. Boise County, a jury ruled that Boise County had committed three separate violations to the Fair Housing Act:

- (1) failure to make reasonable accommodations,
- (2) disparate treatment of the handicapped, and
- (3) intentional interference with the construction of handicapped housing by changing a conditional use permit (CUP). Boise County is now required to pay the plaintiff \$4.0 million in damages.

In a recent state study of impediments to fair housing, an impediment that has been identified is the lack of cities and counties providing for the allowance of group homes in designated residential zones or their narrow definitions of the types of group homes allowed (e.g., nursing and rest homes) Why is this a barrier? The regulation may treat residents who are disabled, differently. Therefore;

Have you reviewed your zoning codes specific to group homes to ensure that you are in compliance with the Fair Housing Act? (group homes are allowed in residential zones and that your definition of a group home is not too restrictive)
 Yes No

If No, what steps are you taking to address the issue?

This project will not involve disturbance of any group homes. The project involves repairing or replacing only existing infrastructure and therefore fall into the prescriptive easement category.

The state study also identified a concern related to the lack of basic accessibility standards for new residential construction. Does your building code or ordinance encourage accessibility standards in housing? (example: at least one entrance with no step, doors at least 32 inches wide, switches no higher than 48 inches, hallways 36 inches wide, etc.)
 Yes No

The city building codes require that all new construction or renovations comply with current ADA regulations.

ICDBG Environmental Scoping – Field Notes Checklist

Applicant City of Cascade

Sub-Recipient _____

This site and desk review checklist is to be completed by the Applicant and submitted with the application.

The purpose of the checklist is to help the Applicant and Commerce better understand what environmental statutes or provisions per 24 CFR 58 might impact the proposed project. The information will assist in understanding what studies, documentation, and mitigation measures could be applicable and to assist in completing the environmental review record. The Applicant may choose to attach this scoping checklist as part of the environmental review record.

1. Limitations on Activities

Is the Grantee planning or in the process of acquiring property for this proposed project? ___ Yes
X No

If yes, is the Applicant aware that land acquired or site work after submission of the ICDBG application is subject to 24 CFR 58.22 Limitation on Activities Requiring Clearance? Meaning once an application for ICDBG funds is submitted, neither Applicant or sub recipient, may commit Non-HUD funds to a project for land acquisition or site work (except for minor testing) before the environmental review is complete, unless the land acquisition or contract is conditioned on completion of the ICDBG environmental review.

2. Historic Preservation

Has the SHPO or THPO been notified of the project? X Yes ___ No

Have tribes with possible cultural and religious sites been notified of the project? X Yes
___ No

3. Floodplain Management

Is the project located within a floodway or floodplain designated on a current FEMA map?
Check Web site www.store.msc.fema.gov X Yes ___ No ___ Not Sure

If yes what is the floodplain map number? 160161 0002 A

If the project is located in a floodway or floodplain, is the community where the project is taking place a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program. Check Web site www.idwr.idaho.gov/water/flood X Yes ___ No

4. Wetland Protection

Are there ponds, marshes, bogs, swamps, drainage ways, streams, rivers, or other wetlands on or near the site? X Yes ___ No

If yes, has the Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) been notified? X Yes ___ No

Has the Corps indicated what permit level will be required? ___ Yes ___ No ___ N/A

5. Sole Source Aquifers (Clean Water Act)

Is the proposed project located over an EPA designated aquifer area including stream flow source area? Yes No (Check website www.epa.gov/safewater/ssanp.html)

Is it known at this time if construction will disturb more than one acre of land? Yes No

If yes, has a general permit for storm water discharges from construction sites been applied for from the EPA? Yes No

6. Endangered Species Act

Has U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, NOAA Fisheries, and Idaho Fish and Game Regional Office been notified about the project? Yes No

7. Wild and Scenic Rivers Act

Is the project located within one mile of a designated wild and scenic river? Idaho wild and scenic rivers include portions of the St. Joe, Lochsa, Selway, Middle Fork of the Clearwater, Snake, Rapid, and Middle Fork of the Salmon. Check Web site www.nps.gov/rivers/ Yes No

8. Clean Air Act

Is the project located in a designated non-attainment area for criteria air pollutants? Yes No

For building demolition or improvements, has an asbestos analysis been planned for or conducted?

Yes No N/A

For housing rehabilitation, has a lead based paint assessment been planned for or conducted?

Yes No N/A

9. Farmland Protection Policy Act

Is the project located on a site currently zoned as residential, commercial, and/or industrial?

Yes No

Is the project area currently being utilized for farm or agricultural purposes? Yes No

If yes, has the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service or local planning department been notified about the project? Yes No

10. Environmental Justice

Does project have a disproportionate environmental impact on low income or minority populations?

Yes No

11. Noise Abatement and Control

Is the project new construction or rehabilitation of noise sensitive use (i.e., housing, mobile home parks, nursing homes, hospitals, and other uses where quiet is integral to the project functions)?

Yes No

If yes, is the project located within 5 miles of an airport, 1000 feet of a major highway or busy road, or 3,000 feet of a railroad? Yes No

12. Explosive and Flammable Operations

Is the physical structure (not necessarily infrastructure) intended for residential, institutional, recreational, commercial or industrial use? Yes No Unknown at this time

If yes, are there any above ground explosives, flammable fuels or chemical containers within one mile of the physical structure? Yes No

If yes, have you been able to identify what the container is holding and the container's size? Yes No

13. Toxic Chemicals and Radioactive Materials

Are there any known hazardous materials, contamination, chemicals, gases, and radioactive substance on or near the site? Yes No Unknown at this time

If yes, explain _____

During the visual inspection of the site, are there signs of distressed vegetation, vents or fill pipes, storage/oil tanks, stained soil, dumped material, questionable containers, foul or noxious odors, etc.

Yes No

If yes, explain Sewage backups flow over onto surface level approximately once a year causing foul odors and staining.

At this time, are the site's previous uses known to have been gasoline stations, train depots, dry cleaners, agricultural operations, repair shops, landfill, etc.? Yes No

Are other funding agencies requiring the Grantee to perform an American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) environmental assessment? ASTM assessment involves analysis of site uses and ownership, inspection of site, and possible testing. Yes No

14. Airport Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones

Is the project located within a designated airport runway clear zone or protection zone? Yes No

Does the project involve acquisition of land or construction/rehabilitation of building or infrastructure in an airport runway clear zone or protection zone? Yes No

If yes, is the grantee aware that the airport operator may wish to purchase the property at some point in the future as part of a clear or accident zone acquisition program? Yes No

15. Energy Efficient Designs

For building construction, has the owner investigated possible incentives from power providers, such as Idaho Power, Avista, or Utah Power for incorporating energy efficient design into their building?

Yes No

16. Sediment Control (Clean Water Act)

Will the construction project require storm and surface water discharge from the construction site?

Yes No Unknown at this time

If yes, has an application to EPA been submitted for a Construction General Permit (CGP)?

Yes No

17. Other Environmental Reviews

Have facilities studies or other environmentally related site reviews been conducted or in the process of being conducted? Yes No

If yes, identify who is conducting the review. _____

18. Information Letters

The advanced mailing of environmental information letters is sought in an effort to minimize the project's timeline in waiting for necessary documentation or information. It will assist in earlier responses to required mitigation measures should the proposed project receive grant funding.

Check the agencies that have been mailed an environmental information letter.

Note: If other funding agencies have sought comment, in writing, from the agencies listed below for the same project, you may not need to send an information letter. Contact your Specialist if other environmental information or scoping letters have been sent.

- Idaho State Historic Preservation Officer
- Tribal Historic Preservation Officer or Tribal Office
- Idaho Department of Water Resources – Local Regional Office
- Army Corps of Engineers (if wetlands are applicable)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife
- NOAA Fisheries (if salmon and/or steelhead are applicable)
- Idaho Fish and Game
- USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (if farmlands are applicable)
- Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
- Local Government – Planning Department
- Others _____

Completion of the scoping checklist does not constitute that all environmental provisions or clauses related to 24 CFR 58 Environmental Reviews have been met or are known at this time.

Completed By: (type name)

Date

Review and Ranking Narrative

Eligible Activity Priority Ranking Sheet

Eligible Activity	Points Possible	Percentage of ICDBG Budget Spent on Activity	Staff Points Awarded
Acquisition of Real Property	100	0%	
Acquisition of Real Property for Housing Projects	50	0%	
Public Facilities and Improvements-Health and Safety Related	100	0%	
Public Facilities and Improvements-Housing Related	75	0%	
Public Facilities and Improvements-Social Service Related	50	0%	
Engineering-Architectural	100	90%	
Code Enforcement	50	0%	
Clearance and Demolition	10	0%	
Removal of Architectural Barriers	50	0%	
Rental Income Payments	0	0%	
Disposition of Property	10	0%	
Public Services	0	0%	
Completion of Urban Renewal Projects	0	0%	
Relocation Payments	25	0%	
Planning Activities	0	0%	
Administration Activities	100	10%	
Grants to Nonprofit Community Organizations	0	0%	
Grants to Nonprofit Community Organizations for Housing Projects	75	0%	
Energy Planning	0	0%	
Housing Rehabilitation	75	0%	
Total Points Awarded to Project			

National Objectives

Need = Moderate Category

The regular sewage back-ups near the City Main lift station violate EPA regulations, pose a public health hazard and created a blighted area within city limits. The city has received a damage claim from a customer whose home was damaged due to a sewage backup. The claim is being processed through ICRMP (see documentation in Appendix M).

Impact

Low and moderate income persons in the city of Cascade will benefit economically from this project. Removing the growth limiting factor of the city's wastewater treatment capacity is a required step for accommodating more new businesses, tourist visits and real estate development. Providing adequate infrastructure for economic development is key to spurring economic growth in Cascade.

Idaho Community Development Block Grant funds applied to this project would also directly impact low and moderate income persons by reducing the debt load of the sewer district, thereby maintain the lowest sewer rates possible for the end user.

The projects permanent impacts are threefold:

1. Repairs to the collections system will prevent the regular sewage back-ups from occurring and remove the potential for future customer claims, DEQ violations, consent orders and fines.
2. Every gallon of freshwater that infiltrates the collections system is treated at the treatment plant. Treatment requires energy consumption, expensive equipment, and labor expenses. Reducing the amount of fresh water that infiltrates the collections system will provide significant energy and operational expense that will accumulate for many years.
3. High levels of fresh water infiltration into the collections systems creates unnecessarily high flow rates at the treatment facility effectively limiting treatment capacity and capping any potential for future growth. Repairs to the collections system present a cost effective method to increase the capacity of the existing treatment facility and accommodate future population growth and peak summer seasonal population levels.

Project Categories

Planning, previous actions, and schedule

Design Professional

The City of Cascade has procured a design professional for this project in accordance with the ICDBG guidelines (see documentation in Appendix D).

Grant Administration

The City of Cascade has procured a professional grant administrator for this project in accordance with the ICDBG guidelines (see documentation in Appendix E).

Plans or Studies

The city of Cascade has contracted with Project Engineering Consultants Limited to complete an Facilities Planning Study (see documentation in Appendix N).

Environmental Scoping

The environmental scoping checklist has been completed by a certified grant administrator (see documentation in Appendix G).

Agency Viability Water or Sewer

- 1. The city of Cascade contracted a utility rate study professional to conduct a sewer rate review (see documentation in Appendix O).
- 2. Financial profile worksheet – Information provided in Chapter 5. No action required.

Property Acquisition

Information provided in Chapter 5. No action required.

Funding Commitments

The city of Cascade has secured funding from several government sources, as well committing local cash (see documentation / letters in Appendix F)

Schedule

Information provided in Chapter 5. No action required.)

Administrative Capacity:

- 1. Has the applicant completed a Section 504 or ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan? Yes No Coordinator- n/a
- 2. What is the most current building code the applicant has adopted?
In May 2011 city ordinance was modified so that building codes are no longer tied to a specific resolution date. Instead, the building code is now a living code that adopts the most recent International Building code standards by default.
- 3. Are the Fair Housing Accessibility Standards a component of that building code?
 Yes No

Cost Analysis

Cost analysis sheet provided in Chapter 5 and Design Professional cost estimate is S

CERTIFICATIONS

I certify the data in this application is true and correct, that this document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the City of Cascade and we will comply with the following laws and regulations if this application is approved and selected for funding.

- National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
- Civil Rights Act of 1964 Pub.L 88-352
- Civil Rights Act of 1968 Pub.L 90-284
- Age Discrimination Act of 1975
- Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504
- Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970, as amended (49 CFR Part 24)
- Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended Pub.L 93-383
- Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a - 276a-5)
- Historic Preservation Act
- OMB Circular A-87, and ensure that sub-recipient complies with A-110 and A-122
- Section 106 of the Housing and Urban Recovery Act of 1983 certifying to:
 - Minimize displacement as a result of activities assisted with CDBG funds by following the Idaho Department of Commerce's anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan;
 - Conduct and administer its program in conformance with Title VI and Title VIII, and affirmatively further fair housing;
 - Provide opportunities for citizen participation comparable to the state's requirements (those described in Section 104(a) of the Act, as amended);
 - Not use assessments or fees to recover the capital costs of ICDBG funded public improvements from low and moderate income owner occupants;
 - Abide by all state and federal rules and regulations related to the implementation and management of federal grants;
 - Assess and implement an Accessibility Plan for persons with disabilities in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;
 - Adopt and implement an Excessive Force Policy;
 - Prohibition of Use of Assistance for Employment Relocation, Section 588 of the Disability Housing and work Responsibility Act of 1998 Pub. L 105-276.
 - Anti-Lobbying Certification: No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a member of, employee of a member of, officer of or employee of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant or loan, the entering into any cooperative agreement and the extension, renewal, modification or amendment of any federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement.

If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a member of, employee of a member of, officer of or employee of Congress in connection with this federal grant, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

 - MAYOR
Signed by Chief Elected Official

17 NOV, 2011
Date

R. W. CARTER
Typed Name