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August 28, 2020

Samir Shahat, PhD University of Idaho 1108 West Sixth Street Moscow, Idaho 83844-2030

Subject: University of Idaho Aquaculture Research Laboratory Notice of Intent to Terminate Discharge Permit ID0027154 - Public Comment Period

Dear Samir Shahat,

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is providing this notification of public comment for the proposal to terminate the University of Idaho Aquaculture Research Laboratory Idaho Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (IPDES) Permit ID0027154.

The University of Idaho Aquaculture Research Laboratory submitted a Notice of Intent to Terminate Discharge (NOIT) to DEQ on June 30, 2020. DEQ has determined that the NOIT complies with IDAPA 58.01.25.203, and the University of Idaho Aquaculture Research Laboratory is eligible to terminate their discharge permit. The University of Idaho Aquaculture Research Laboratory does not qualify for expedited termination of their permit under IDAPA 58.01.25.203.04 because of the existing discharge connection to the University of Idaho's waste water land application system.

DEQ's tentative decision to terminate the Permit ID0027154 is available for public comment for 30 days, starting August 31, 2020, and ending at 5:00 pm MDT on September 28, 2020. After the public comment period ends, DEQ will document the response to public comments, if any, and arrive at the final permit decision. DEQ will then notify the University of Idaho Aquaculture Research Laboratory of the final decision in writing.

For technical assistance or questions concerning this decision, please contact Jonathan Drygas at 208-373-0173 or jonathan.drygas@deq.idaho.gov. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Lori Flook, DEQ, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706-1255, 208-373-0595 or Lori.Flook@deq.idaho.gov.

The termination request and verification of outfall closure are available for public review on DEQ's website at http://www.deq.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

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Surface and Wastewater Division Administrator

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Encl: Legal Notice (2020FAZ219)

Notice of Intent to Terminate (2020FAZ218)

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