



United States Department of Agriculture  
Food and Nutrition Service

Western Region

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Reply to  
Attn of: FS-10-6-ID/Waiver

March 12, 2007

Subject: Idaho ABAWD Waiver Extension (April 2007 - March 2008)

To: Art Foley  
Director, Program Development Division

The Western Region Office received Idaho's Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2007 ABAWD waiver request, dated March 1, 2007 and supporting documentation. The waiver request aims to exempt all able-bodied adults residing in 12 Idaho counties and 3 tribal reservations from the ABAWD provisions in Section 6(o)(2) for the Food Stamp Act, as amended by Section 824 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act (PRWORA). The request is for one year, from April 2007 through March 2008.

Each of the 12 counties and 3 reservations has an average unemployment rate of at least 20% based on a data analysis provided by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. The data adequately supports the State's waiver request.

The Western Region recommends FNS approval of the waiver request for all counties and reservations requested for one year ending March 31, 2008. If you have any questions please direct them to Greg Burts at 415.705.1361 ext 533.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Stewart".

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Attachments