TO: Idaho WAQTC Sampling & Testing Technicians and Qualified Inspectors and Candidates

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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Adjustments
          ITD Transportation Technician Qualification Program (TTQP) for Sampling and Testing Technicians & ITD Inspector Qualification Program (IQP).

Dear Colleagues,

At ITD, we, like you, are concerned about the health and safety of our employees and customers. We want you to know the steps we are taking to provide continued customer service to the Idaho Transportation Sampling/Testing and Inspection community during this time.

For now, our qualification events have been postponed and the following adjustments are being made:

- Extensions of ITD WAQTC/IQP certifications are being granted to allow continued testing and inspection. All current qualifications which expire beginning October 1, 2019, will be extended through December 31, 2020.
- Individuals who did not possess an IQP/WAQTC qualification prior to March 26, 2020, may obtain Provisional Status to perform sampling, testing, or inspection. Provisional status will expire on July 31, 2020.
- ITD will resume qualification/training for internal candidates once Stage Three of the Governor’s phased reopening plan is underway. This stage is anticipated to begin on May 30, 2020, provided there is no significant increase in COVID-19 cases and other criteria are met.
- ACEC will provide qualification sessions for first-time qualification seekers and provisional status holders once Stage Three of the Governor’s phased reopening plan is underway. It is anticipated that these sessions will begin on June 5, 2020.
- ACEC will work with ITD and program staff to provide re-qualification sessions for those whose certifications will now expire on December 31, 2020. Re-qualification sessions are anticipated to begin in October 2020.

We will work diligently to inform you as soon as possible for any further restrictions, cancellations, or changes.