## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS32487C2 / H0334

With the current state of the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer (ESPA) in a state of decline it is imperative that the legislature codify parts of the recharge that must occur to protect this resource for future generations. Currently the recharge number in the state water plan is 240,000-thousand-acre feet. The purpose of this bill will be to move that number to 350,000-acre feet when water is available.

## **FISCAL NOTE**

The proposed legislation does not change the general fund appropriation.

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