

Dear Mike,

I would encourage the legislature to continue the incentives for alternative energy, as well as, (and particularly) energy conservation. Currently the most efficient and cost effective measures are conservation through improved insulation, glazing, and efficient lighting and heating. Maintain the "highest priority" categorization for energy conservation and alternative energy development. Idaho has abundant wind, solar, and geothermal resources that could provide energy and jobs for thousands of Idahoans.

Efficient, effective energy sources and reduced energy use will save billions of dollars in future cleanup and carbon mitigation costs. Near term cost savings by continuing our reliance on fossil fuels is, like the national debt, shoving the consequences and cost on to future generations.

One would think that, energy efficiency and conservation would be a cornerstone of Conservative policy.

Sincerely,  
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