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## **Good News from One End of the Greenbelt to the Other**

The Continuation of Good News for Plantation Island Bridge

## and Pathway

**Thank you for all the inquiries and concerns for the process of restoring the bridge and pathway.** Your calls, emails and office visit are the makings of why this project means so much to so many. The **GOOD NEWS** is we received all of the required permits, stamped "**APPROVED**" in the mail yesterday!! We are now going out to bid this week. Our timeline was to start **construction in early 2019** and at this time, it looks like we will be able to stay on track.

Stay tuned for an invitation in the coming months to a celebration of Plantation Island bridge and our shared success in its return. We look forward to celebrating with you!



Plantation Island Pathway erosion 2017

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# Good News for the Barber Pool Conservation Area's 12 Acres

The 12 acres are adjacent to Idaho Shakespeare Festival (ISF) amphitheater and are included in the Barber Pool Conservation Area. The property was slated for a 40 home-site development. IFPL, with the help of ISF, stepped in and through community-wide fund raising efforts purchased the 12 acres in 2015.

The 12 acre property consisted of **former sewage lagoons**. With the generous help of DEQ who oversaw the removal of all bio-solids and other contamination from the property and proceeded with final remediation of the site through a grant from the Brownfields Program as funded by the EPA, the site is now a **certified cleaned up area**.

**AND NOW FOR THE UPDATED GOOD NEWS**....with the help Fred Boelter, RHP Risk Management Inc., Patrick Wickman, Forsgren Associates, and Gary Howard of The Wetlands Group we have received a Floodplain Permit from the City of Boise and our hearing for the Boise River System Permit is scheduled for February 4th. We are excited to have our project on the agenda and anticipate approval. Our next step will be to apply for Erosion Control and Grading Permits from the City's Building Department. Once our permits are approved, we will mobilize and start construction. The project will be phased as follows: Pre-Grading, Grading, Planting, Stabilization/Maintenance.



12 Acres Barber Pool Conservation Area 2016

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We are working hard to protect the beautiful lands of Idaho. [Make a gift to IFPL today](#) and help us continue to care for many of the places you love!

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