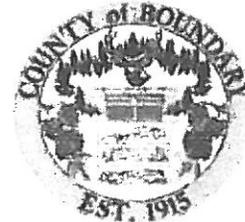
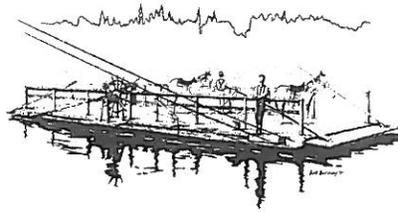
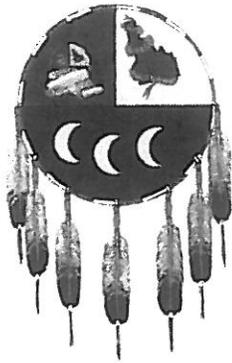


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## Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative

January 28, 2014

TO: Environmental Protection Agency

FROM: Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative

RE: Commitment of Support to Boundary Soil Conservation District

The Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative (KVRI) is a community-based collaborative effort in the Kootenai River Basin co-chaired by the Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, the City of Bonners Ferry, and Boundary County. It was founded in 2001 to improve coordination of local, state, federal, and tribal programs to restore and maintain social, cultural, economic, and natural resources.

Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative board members are writing to express our support of the Boundary Soil Conservation District in working with Bonner Soil & Water Conservation District to apply for a grant that would fund the Water Festival-Region Expansion. The KVRI Board is willing to be hands on and will commit to help with setup/take down, and possibly other areas where volunteers could be beneficial.

Set up 4 hrs. X 6 people X \$25/hr. = \$600; Take down same \$600.....Total \$1,200.

Understanding water resources are the life-blood of our community, we are committed to educational opportunities to appreciate and protect this resource. We would urge EPA to consider the grant request and be willing to partner in furthering local outreach.

Sincerely,

Dan Dinning,  
Boundary Co. Commissioner  
KVRI Co-chair

Gary Aitken Jr.  
Chair Kootenai Tribe of Idaho  
KVRI Co-Chair

Dave Anderson, Mayor  
City of Bonners Ferry  
KVRI Co-Chair