

To the residents of Kellogg, Smelterville, Pinehurst, Wardner, Page, Elizabeth Park, Montgomery Gulch, and Ross Ranch

Because of your cooperation, cleanup of residential yards in the "Box" is now done. Thanks for your patience. We cleaned up the metals contamination at over 3,000 properties. We know the work has been disruptive and at times inconvenient -- it took place literally in your own backyards. For many homes, the work was done long ago. For others, the work recently got finished.

Now that the work is officially certified complete, it's high time for us to say "Thank You."

We also thank you for continuing to protect your families and the cleanup by following the Institutional Controls Program (ICP). The ICP helps keep residents safe from lead contamination that remains under protective barriers, and gives assistance during land sales. The ICP is a great success due to your participation and support. If you have questions on how to protect your family from contamination, you can contact the Panhandle Health District at 208-783-0707.

While completing residential properties in the Box, we have also been making good progress in other areas of the Coeur d'Alene Basin. We look forward to continued support in other Basin communities.

Here's to a cleaner, safer community! Thanks again.

From the people at the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Learn more at: <u>http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/cleanup.nsf/sites/cda</u>