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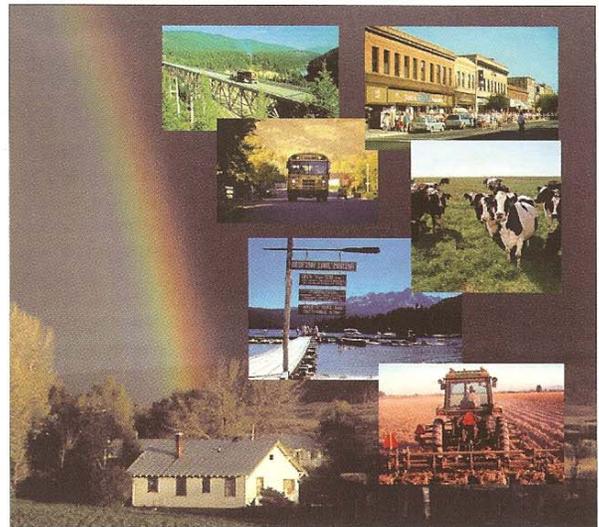
Idaho Rural Partnership Establishes Fund for Rural Idaho

A new fund to support a variety of endeavors in rural Idaho was created with a \$5,000 investment by Monsanto. Monsanto is a member of the new Idaho Rural Business Council. The council serves as the private business advisory group to the Idaho Rural Partnership, a coalition of individuals, federal, state, and local organizations working together to support organizations and projects that benefit rural areas.

"We truly look at the Fund for Rural Idaho as an opportunity to invest in this state," said Trent L. Clark, public affairs director, Monsanto. "A thriving rural economy depends on the collaboration and partnership made possible by the IRP and the Idaho Rural Business Council. We believe so strongly in the concept, practical applications and track record of IRP, that our investment was an easy decision."

The Fund for Rural Idaho was created in the Idaho Community Foundation as a philanthropic gift fund. Donations to the fund are tax deductible.

IRP Executive Director Dale Dixon said, "Rural Idaho is an incredible market for business in agriculture, manufacturing, high-tech and travel and tourism sectors. Investments in the Fund for Rural Idaho help build on the business-friendly reputation for which rural Idaho is known. We foresee the fund supporting a variety of entrepreneurship, education, economic



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development and leadership training activities."

For more information on membership in the Idaho Rural Business Council contact Dixon at (208) 334-3131.