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## MEDIA RELEASE

### BOISE AIRPORT HOSTS CAPITOL RESTORATION EXHIBIT

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The Idaho Capitol Commission is sponsoring an exhibit to reach passengers traveling through Boise Airport's terminal. The comprehensive exhibit is a joint effort by staff of the Capitol Commission and the Idaho State Historical Society. It conveys the magnitude of the restoration, rehabilitation and expansion currently underway for Idaho's premier architectural landmark.

The new display, found just inside the security checkpoint, quickly tells Boise Airport travelers all about the past, present, and future of the Idaho Statehouse. Over three million passengers annually will pass the prominent location of the six panels.

"This cooperative effort by the Idaho Capitol Commission and the Boise Airport Commission will enlighten many out-of-state visitors and Idaho residents about the extraordinary work going on at the Capitol. There is no better place for this than Boise Airport," said Jack Kane, Chairman, Idaho Capitol Commission.

The Idaho Capitol is closed for its first comprehensive restoration and expansion since 1920 until early next decade. Visitors can still drive up near the building via Capitol Boulevard. Visitors are encouraged to view the progress of the project from the Capitol Commission's web site at [http://capitolcommission.idaho.gov/restoration/construction\\_cameras.html](http://capitolcommission.idaho.gov/restoration/construction_cameras.html). Web visitors there will notice that the Capitol's expanded legislative hearing spaces on the east and west ends are taking shape. The complex process of building new underground wings and seamlessly connecting them to the century-old original structure is underway.

Web site visitors can also tour the public areas of the Capitol by following the "Virtual Tour" links. The virtual tour allows 360 degree views of areas like the Governor's ceremonial office, the House and Senate chambers, the Capitol Rotunda, and more.

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