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This letter in written to oppose the possible closure of the Careywood post office in Idaho. The case number is A2015-2. We live in Careywood, Idaho across from the post office.

One of the reasons they cited was the highway project of widening the road. I know they have not contacted us to try to negotiate buying our land. This highway project is at least twenty years away because the State of Idaho does not have the funds. Our state is trying to figure out how to maintain the roads we already have in the state.

Another reason to keep the Careywood post office open is the time to travel to get our mail. It takes us at least 11 minutes one way to get to Athol, Idaho. In the winter you will have to triple your time because of the weather and Granite Hill which is notous for being icy with a lot of wrecks.

Athol, ~~Idaho~~ is also in a different County. We are in Bonner County. The Athol post office seems to be overwhelmed with their duties plus add the Careywood patrons on top of their workload.

We are a low income family. We own a Nursery // Christmas tree farm. Our family business is in Careywood. The travel to get our mail is another expense we cannot afford.

Carrie Bartlett is an excellent post mistress. I find her ability to run our little post office was very efficient. Her detail of her job was exceptional. Pleas give her a contract to run our Careywood Post office. Her service was a joy for the whole community.

In conculsion, pleas let us have our post office back. It is vital to our community.

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