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# ***Snake River Dredging*** ***Proposed Winter 2004-05 Dredging***



## ***Economic Impacts***

**Assuming Light loading at Lewiston and topping off at Wilma  
NED cost of \$2,700,000**

**Increased Cost are occurring but who pays?**

**Estimated cost of light loading in 2005 is 10 cent/bushel  
U of I 2001 crop budget shows 1 cent/bushel margin**

**Exporters operate around 1 cent per bushel margin  
Net increase to exporter is 3.6 cents per bushel**

## **Choices**

**Farmer absorbs increased cost**

**Shipper absorb cost**

**Exporters don't buy higher cost wheat**

**Exporters find market for higher priced wheat**