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## **Sen. Crapo Votes No, then Takes Credit on Stimulus *Caught Ribbon Cutting Local Stimulus Jobs He Opposed***

September 14, 2010 – With scissors in hand, Senator Crapo has been repeatedly caught ceremoniously cutting ribbons for economic projects in Idaho that he relentlessly fought against in the US Senate.

The 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment act provided nearly \$500,000 for a Health West clinic in Aberdeen, which Mike Crapo *twice* voted against. ([Vote Smart](#)) ([Journal Net](#)). That did not seem to stop the Senator on Friday from pandering for votes with the elderly patients who would be without a local clinic if Mike Crapo had his way.

Democratic Senate Nominee Tom Sullivan minced no words on the issue: “The people of Idaho know that the wool is being pulled over their eyes. Where I’m from, a man takes credit for the things he has actually done – period. This is simple hypocrisy and a betrayal of the public trust given him by the people of Idaho.”

On Wednesday, Mike Crapo flip-flopped again – taking credit for economic development that he opposed. MotivePower of Boise has been awarded a contract to supply twenty locomotives to the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority, over \$33 million dollars of which were financed by H.R1-97 – opposed in another No vote by Mike Crapo. A full 1,246 Idaho jobs were created or saved that Crapo’s No vote would have destroyed. ([MA DOT Budget](#)) ([American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009](#)) ([FTA](#)).

“The truth is Mike Crapo voted *against* MotivePower building railcars in Idaho by opposing the 2009 stimulus bill that saved this country from a Second Depression. And now Senator Crapo takes credit without batting an eye! These are exactly the jobs I will vote for in the Senate because it’s time we see more of ‘Made In America’ again,” declared Sullivan.

Currently Senator Crapo is in position to do it again: opposing a small business bill and a desperately needed infrastructure investments bill that would bring thousands of jobs to Idaho. It remains to be seen when Mike Crapo will be seen again with a hard hat and shovel praising the economic progress he has so shamelessly opposed.

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