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Good morning Land Board members and staff:

Since House Bill 468's print hearing last week, we've heard feedback from the ranching community and organized recreational user groups about developing an enforceable alternative to the current tools we have available to help curb damage done on endowment lands. There seems to be unanimity that more must be done to hold those who would damage endowment lands accountable. But there's also wide confusion about the Land Board's broad authorities related to managing endowment land.

For these reasons, I plan to ask Chairman Gibbs to hold this bill in his committee this session. Over the next year, we intend to move forward with expanding the use of signage and public education/outreach about recreation on endowment land. IDL will also expand recreation-related information available online and at our area offices.

This spring we intend to increase our outreach and work with stakeholder groups to help them better understand why an infraction/fine alternative is needed for recreation management and the Board's constitutional mandate.

Here is a link to the bill: <https://legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/2022/legislation/H0468/>

Please let me know if you have any questions.



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