



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, Idaho wildland firefighters engage in highly dangerous work protecting millions of acres of private, state, and federal lands; and

WHEREAS, Idaho wildland firefighters protect communities, natural resources, watersheds, recreation opportunities, and the forest products industry, which plays an important part of the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, Idaho wildland firefighters tirelessly put themselves on the line for days and weeks, living and working in dirt and smoke and against heat and flames; and

WHEREAS, Idaho wildland firefighters respond effectively to severe fire seasons that are increasing across the West; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, Idaho wildland firefighters fought 287 wildfires on 4,676 acres under the Idaho Department of Lands protection, holding 92-percent of fires to less than 10 acres in size; and

WHEREAS, without this skilled workforce in Idaho we would not be able to combat the continued threat of wildland fire.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BRAD LITTLE, the Governor of Idaho do hereby declare July 2, 2023, to be

IDAHO WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER DAY

in Idaho, and I encourage all Idaho citizens to join me in this special observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 2nd day of July, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-seventh, and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirty-third.

BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR

PHIL MCGRANE
SECRETARY OF STATE