



Fall 2024 Legislative Showcase



Land Ownership

(Idaho Admission
Act of 1889)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS (K-12) – 84.81%

Charitable Institutions – 3.11%

School of Science (U of I) – 3.04%

Normal School – 2.46%

University (U of I) – 2.21%

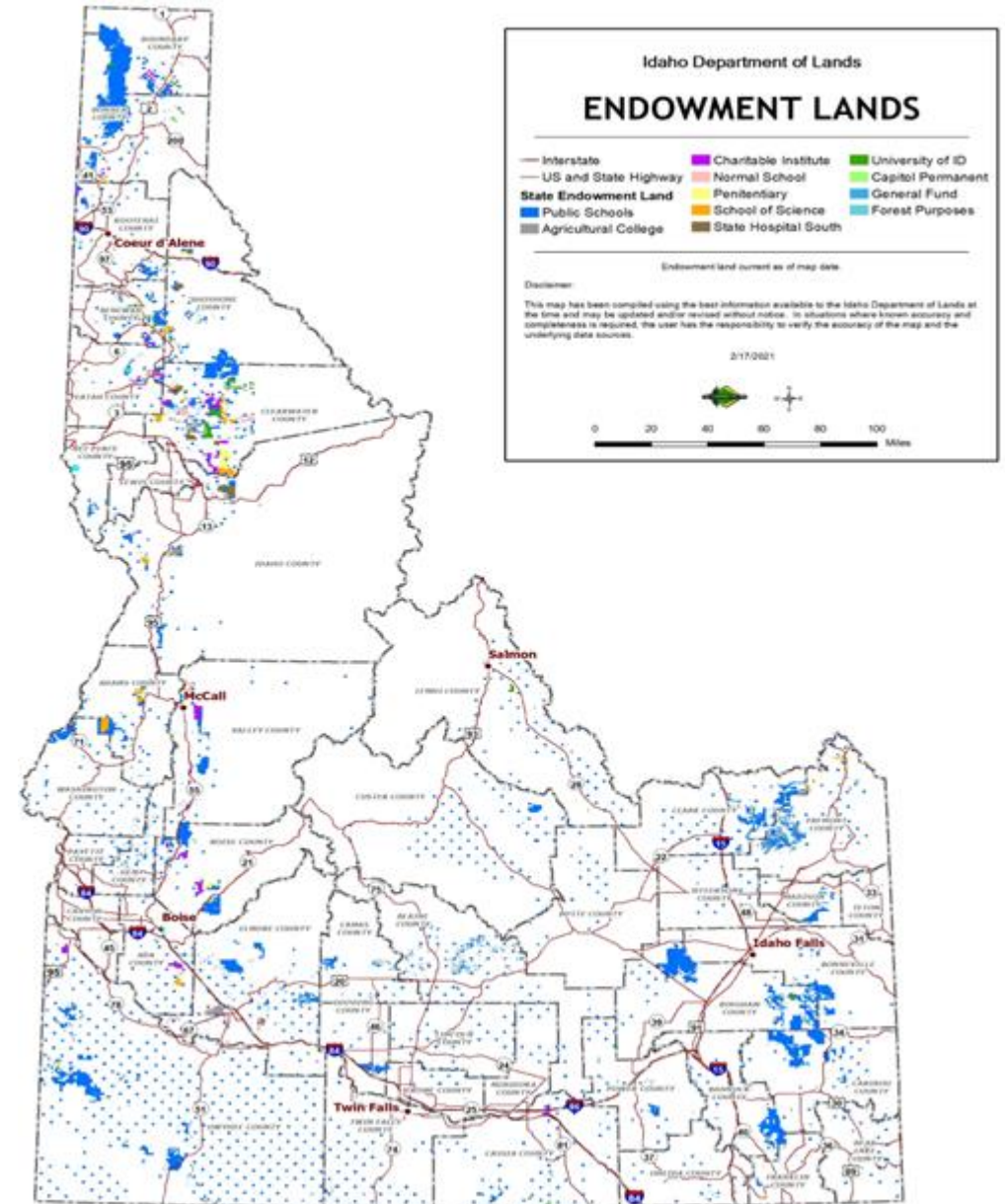
State Hospital South – 1.45%

Ag College – 1.35%

Penitentiary – 1.17%

Capitol Building – 0.05%

General Fund – 0.05%



State Board of Land Commissioners

Idaho Const. art IX, §7 and §8

Brad Little, Governor

Phil McGrane, Secretary of State

Raúl R. Labrador, Attorney General

Brandon D Woolf, State Controller

Debbie Critchfield, Sup't of Public Instruction



Idaho Constitution: Article IX § 7 and 8

Article IX section 7 of the Idaho Constitution established that “the State Board of Land Commissioners... shall have the direction, control, and disposition of the public lands of the state, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law.”

Article IX section 8: “It shall be the duty of the State Board of Land Commissioners to provide for the location, protection, or rental of all the lands heretofore, or which may hereafter be granted to or acquired by the state by or from the general government, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, and in such a manner as will secure the maximum long term financial return to the institution to which is was granted.”

Idaho Department of Lands

Mission: *To professionally and prudently manage Idaho's endowment assets to maximize long-term financial returns to public schools and other trust beneficiaries and to provide professional assistance to the citizens of Idaho to use, protect and sustain their natural resources.*

Established under Idaho Code Title 58

Manage and generate revenue on 2.5 million acres for endowment beneficiaries

K-12 public schools is the largest endowment beneficiary

Revenue through timber sales and land leasing (grazing, minerals, comm sites, recreation, etc.)

Provide assistance to private landowners and partner with Fed agencies to address forest health

Regulate mining activities and enforce the Lake Protection Act and Forest Practices Act

Wildfire suppression responsibility on 9 million acres of state, federal and private timberlands

FY 2024 Accomplishments

\$100 million distributed to endowment beneficiaries

325.5 MMBF of timber harvested with 57,147 truckloads hauled

2.1 million seedlings planted on 5,598 acres

1,610 land leases managed

1,186 technical assists to private landowners

10,737 encroachment permits and 194 submerged lands leases were managed

1,571 active mines covered by reclamation plans, 27 by dredge & placer permits

FY 2024 Performance Measures

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP GOALS	TARGET	ACTUAL
1. Volume timber sold per FAMP	328 MMBF	337.8 MMBF
2. Net return on timber	3.5%	3.55%
3. Percent fires controlled at <10 acres	94%	92%
4. Fire readiness reviews complete	7	12

We fulfill the Land Board's fiduciary duties by maximizing long-term financial returns from endowment lands and through prudent management of state funds and resources.

FY 2024 Performance Measures

CUSTOMER FOCUS GOALS	TARGET	ACTUAL
5. Percent of Forest Practices Act inspections	50%	51%
6. Percent of leases renewed by expiration date	90%	68%
7. Check scales conducted	150	172
8. Percentage of engines staffed with fully qualified crew	75%	40%
9. Percentage of seasonal firefighters returning to IDL.	50%	50%

We deliver programs with professionalism and integrity, providing exemplary service to external and internal customers.

2025 Budget Request (Enhancements)

One-Time

ENHANCEMENT NAME	AMOUNT	STATUS
Legal Counsel	\$22,500	Office construction complete and equipment purchased
Fire Equipment - East Idaho District	\$475,000	Chassis and peripheral equipment ordered
Tree Seedling Coolers	\$506,600	Solicitation is posted, site visits scheduled
Good Neighbor Authority (equipment and comps)	\$193,500	Pickups ordered, IT equipment in progress
Forestry Asst. Program Equipment	\$3,000	Ordered
Fire Program Equipment	\$22,000	Ordered
Recreation Program Equipment	\$24,000	In progress
Vehicle for GIS Equipment	\$45,500	In progress
Administrative staff computers	\$21,000	In progress
Veterans Cemetery Land Purchase	\$3,950,000	In Progress
Wildland Firefighter Bonus	\$1,000,000	\$716,000 paid out for 320 employees

Total FY 2026 Requested Ongoing Enhancements: \$1,198,700

<u>ONGOING</u> ENHANCEMENT NAME	FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT
1. Fire Emergency Support Program Manager	50/50 – GF/ Dedicated	\$124,700
2. Fire Aviation Section Manager	50/50 – GF/ Dedicated	\$136,400
3. Fire Assessment Program Manager	Dedicated	\$129,700
4. Fire Detection Cameras	50/50 – GF/ Dedicated	\$242,000
5. Fire Equipment	Dedicated	\$126,000
6. Assistant Fire Warden, Ponderosa Area	50/50 – GF/ Dedicated	\$101,800
8. Burn Permit System	GF	\$20,000
9. Urban & Community Forestry Specialist	Federal	\$104,200
10. Statewide Office Security Upgrades	10/90- GF/Dedicated	\$40,000
11. Shared Stewardship Coordinator	GF	\$53,000
12. GIS Environment Enhancements	10/90- GF/Dedicated	\$22,000
15. Timber Protective Association, assessment	Dedicated	\$83,500
17. Timber Protective Association, CEC & Inflation	GF	\$15,600

Total FY 2026 Requested One Time Enhancements: \$1,804,500

<u>ONETIME</u> ENHANCEMENT NAME	FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT
1. Fire Emergency Support Program Manager	4/96 – GF/Dedicated	\$59,700
2. Fire Aviation Section Manager	4/96 – GF/Dedicated	\$59,700
3. Fire Assessment Program Manager	Dedicated	\$66,900
4. Fire Detection Cameras	10/90 – GF/Dedicated	\$216,000
5. Fire Equipment	Dedicated	\$603,800
6. Assistant Fire Warden – Ponderosa Area	4/96 – GF/Dedicated	\$59,700
8. Burn Permit System	General	\$100,000
9. Urban & Community Forestry Specialist Provisioning	Dedicated	\$4,500
10. Statewide Office Security Upgrades	10/90 – GF/Dedicated	\$460,000
12. GIS Environment Enhancements	10/90 – GF/Dedicated	\$40,000
13. Boat and Trailer – Jerome Field Office	Dedicated	\$80,000
14. Fleet/Facility Manager Vehicle	10/90 – GF/Dedicated	\$54,200

Rules Review in 2025 Legislative Session

- IDAPA 20.04.01, Rules Pertaining to Forest Fire Protection
- IDAPA 20.04.02, Rules Pertaining to the Idaho Forestry Act and Fire Hazard Reduction Law
- IDAPA 20.03.13, Rules Governing Administration of Cottage Site Leases on State Lands
- IDAPA 20.03.14, Rules Governing Grazing, Farming, Conservation, Noncommercial Recreation, and Communication Site Leases
- IDAPA 20.03.15, Rules Governing Geothermal Leasing on Idaho State Lands
- IDAPA 20.03.16, Rules Governing Oil and Gas Leasing on Idaho State Lands
- IDAPA 20.07.02, Rules Governing Conservation of Oil and Natural Gas in the State of Idaho

IDL Fire Program and 2024 Fire Season Stats

Photo: Quinn Fire – Joseph Plains Area
in Idaho County, August 16, 2022





Wildland Fire Protection is a Big Part of What We Do...

- IDL cooperates with federal land management agencies and Fire Service Organizations to suppress fire (TPAs and RFPAs included).
- IDL protects nearly 9 million acres of state and private lands and some federal lands.
- Big focus for IDL is protecting state, industrial and private timberlands.
- Idaho Code 38-107, “Any forest or range fire burning out of control or without adequate and proper precautions having been taken to prevent its spread, is hereby declared a public nuisance, by reason of its menace to life and/or property”.....the Department of Lands shall “summarily abate the nuisance thus constituted by controlling or extinguishing such fire”.
- Fight fire aggressively, full suppression as long as its **SAFE** to do so.
- Maintain our success rate of keeping 95% of our fires to <10 acres.

Fires on Land IDL Protects

Number and Size of Fires (Year to Date)

Year	Human	Lightning	Total	Acres
2020	190	50	240	6,879
2021	237	154	391	141,981
2022	127	153	280	4,614
2023	206	78	284	2,582
2024	201	122	323	49,251
20 Yr. Average (2002-2022)			288	24,784

Acres Burned by Ownership in Idaho 2024

Total Acres Burned by Ownership 10/25/24

Surface Owner	Acres
Bureau of Land Management	264,698
Other Federal	8,865
Other State	9,652
Private	133,581
State Endowment	38,090
Tribal	1,009
U.S. Forest Service	531,767
Other	846
Total Acres	988,510

Fire Deficiency Spending

Fire Deficiency Warrant Spending - 2024 Fire Season YTD

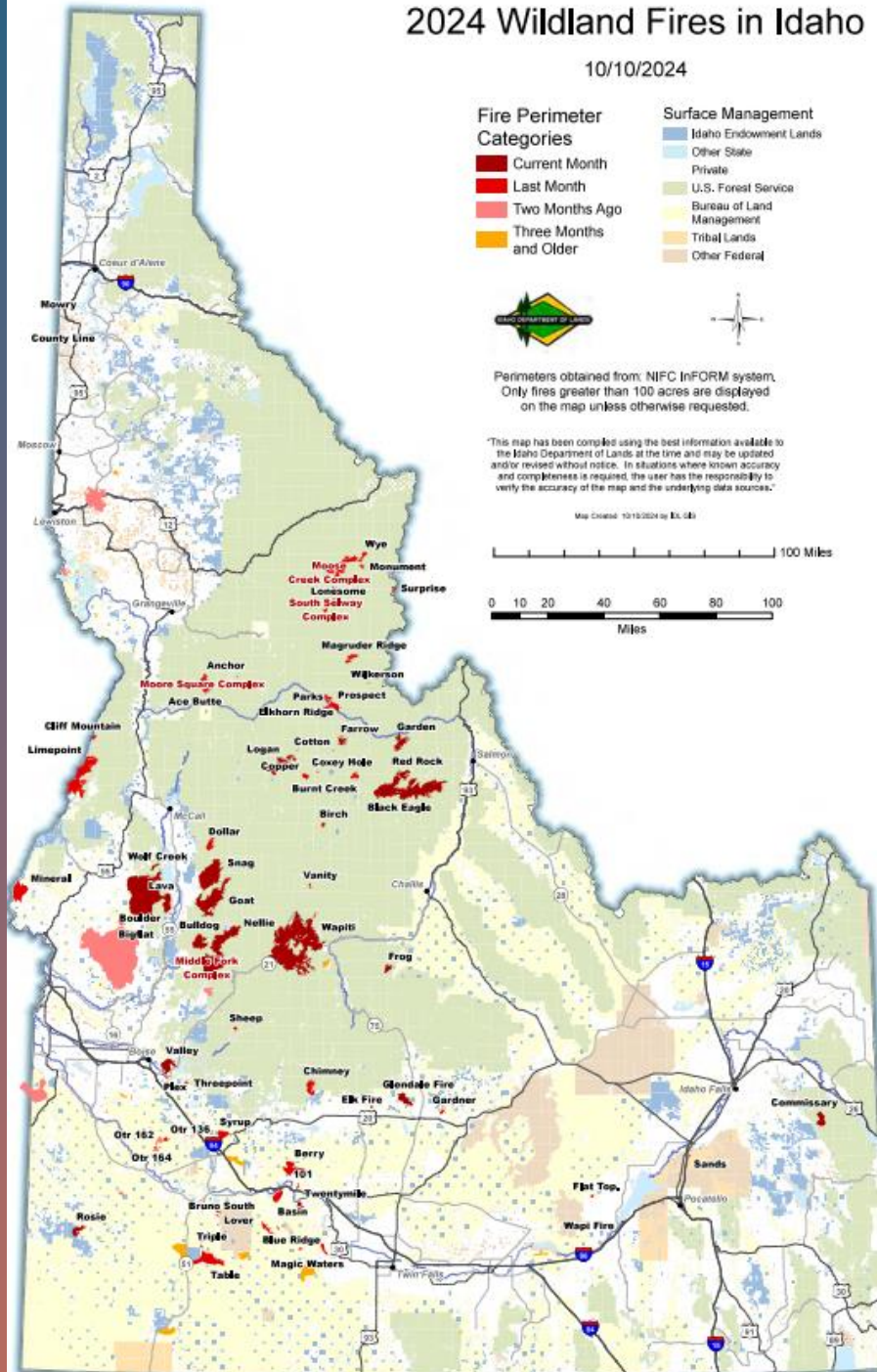
Category	Estimated Costs	Notes
Aviation Resources	\$3,500,000	4 SEATS, 4 Single Engine Water Scooper (Fire Boss), 1 Type 1 UH-60 Blackhawk
Preposition Engines	\$787,500	5 Type 6 Exclusive Use Contract Engines
IDL Non-Team Fires	\$9,770,000	IDL/Assn fires including pre-positioning. Based on Estimates and actuals.
IDL Team Fires	\$33,120,000	Billy Creek (CIMT-CMS), Texas (CIMT-PDS), Cherry (IDL T3-CMS), Steelhead (IDL T3-CMS), Rock Creek (CIMT-CMS), Flat (CIMT-SWS), Chimney (CIMT-EIS)
Other Suppression/ Non-reimbursable	\$4,320,000	Coeur d'Alene Cache, Dispatch - Estimate includes expenditures from 1/1/2024 to 7/9/2024
Other Suppression/ Reimbursable	\$10,836,000	Reimbursable (IDL and Fire Department resources supporting non-IDL fires). Based on LUMA Actuals-estimates not used.
Total Estimate YTD	\$62,333,500	Does not include Cost Share Fires

Fire Season Estimated Costs from Annual Reports

Year	Idaho Fire Suppression Costs	Reimbursable	Idaho Obligation
2020	\$28,500,000	\$3,100,000	\$25,400,000
2021	\$74,600,000	\$7,200,000	\$67,400,000
2022	\$25,700,000	\$8,560,000	\$17,140,000
2023	\$22,060,500	\$4,683,000	\$17,377,500
2024	\$62,333,000	\$10,836,000	\$51,497,500

2024 Wildland Fires in Idaho

10/10/2024



[Daily Fire Report Experience Builder \(idaho.gov\)](https://idaho.gov/daily-fire-report-experience-builder)

The Stafford Act “The Master Agreement”

- Changes 2016 – 2021 vs Current
- Implications – Closest resources “mutual aid”

Idaho a growing and changing state

- Regional and national changes
- Firefighting resource challenges

IDL Wildland Fire Program Strategic Planning

- Currently underway
- Specific challenges to be faced

Governor’s Roundtable Recommendations

- Multi agency effort – discussions have already started
- Emphasis on Infrastructure, FSO, mitigation, more efficient coordination and communication

Governor Little's Wildfire Report Recommendations

“We must maintain a coordinated, strategic approach to improving wildfire prevention and response in our great state if we are going to protect lives and property from the destruction of wildfire. The new wildfire report is a big part of that strategy, and I appreciate the strong support from many partners in helping us lay out priorities to guide our actions.” ~ Governor Little



WILDFIRE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

August 2024

Wildfire Mitigation Efforts

- Good Neighbor Authority
- Shared Stewardship
- Priority Landscapes – Rx burn projects
- Salvage Logging post fire





Heyburn Boat Garages

***Idaho Lake Protection Act
I.C Title 58 Chapter 13***

- Early in 2024, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation announced that the 87 privately-owned boat garages that resided there would need to be removed in order to rebuild the marina at Heyburn State Park.
- IDL acted quickly to manage the relocation of the boat garages across navigable lakes. Garage owners at the park could apply for Temporary Permits with IDL so that they could remove and relocate the garages in a manner that adhered to IDL rules and statutes.
- IDL staff worked closely with Parks Department staff to coordinate inspections of all boat garages to ensure compliance.
- In less than two months, 68 garage owners have worked with IDL to receive Temporary Permits.



OUTDOOR RECREATION FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL (ORFAC)

2023-Gov Little and
Idaho Legislature

Recommend projects to expand outdoor
recreation or access to it in Idaho

- 2023 -> \$5,000,000
- 2024 -> \$5,000,000



OUTDOOR RECREATION FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL (ORFAC)

IDL and IDPR

- East Fork Rock Creek
- White Pine Heights
- Round Lake
- Henry's Lake
- Eastern Idaho Grazing Association

Endowment Land and Recreation



- Outdoor recreation use and value-Idaho's endowment lands
- Public opinion-community engagement assessment

Questions?

