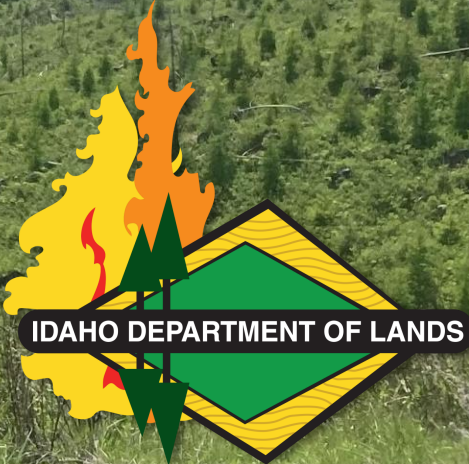


Agency Update, 2026 Director Dustin Miller



What Guides IDL

***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

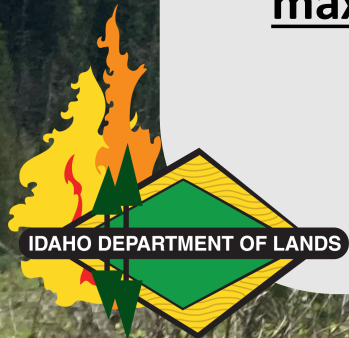


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Idaho Constitution: Article IX § 7 and 8

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.”

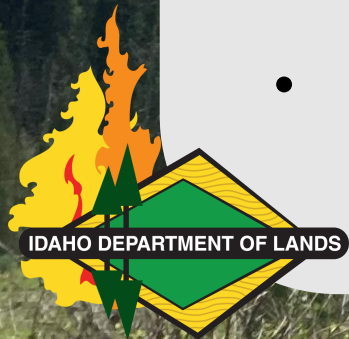
Article IX section 8: “It shall be the duty of the State Board of Land Commissioners to provide for the location, protection, or rental of all the lands heretofore, or which may hereafter be granted to or acquired by the state by or from the general government, under such regulations as may be prescribed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



What Guides IDL

Asset Management Plan

- *Multiple asset classes:* timberland, real estate, farmland, rangeland.
- Provides strategic direction for managing endowment lands.
- Aligns with fiduciary duty to maximize long-term financial returns for trust beneficiaries.
- Ensures sustainable revenue generation from endowment lands.
- Maintains and improves land productivity and asset health.
- Diversifies asset classes and revenue streams to reduce risk and improve resilience.



State Board of Land Commissioners

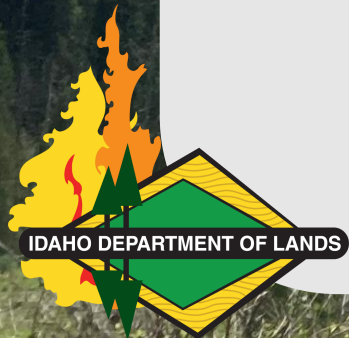
Brad Little, Governor

Phil McGrane, Secretary of State

Raúl R. Labrador, Attorney General

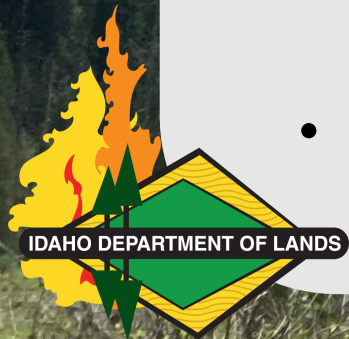
Brandon D. Woolf, State Controller

Debbie Critchfield, Sup't of Public Instruction



FY 2025 Accomplishments

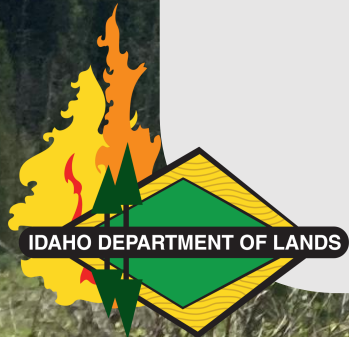
- **\$103 million** distributed to endowment beneficiaries
- **315.4 million board feet** harvested with 54,289 truckloads hauled
- **1,989,508 seedlings** planted on 5,661 acres
- **1,587 leases** managed
- **812 technical assists** to private landowners
- **10,856 encroachment permits** and **181 submerged land leases** managed
- **1,580 active mines** covered by reclamation plans, **28 by dredge and placer permits**
- New Shared Stewardship agreement signed with the US Forest Service



Performance Measures

Financial Stewardship Goal

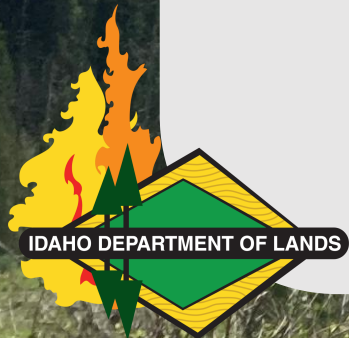
Performance Measure		FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Financial Stewardship Goal <i>Fulfill the Land Board's fiduciary duties by maximizing long-term financial returns from endowment lands and through prudent management of state funds and resources.</i>						
1. Volume of timber sold annually as prescribed by the FAMP and approved by the Land Board	actual	306.8 mmbf	326.1 mmbf	337.8 mmbf	328.3 mmbf	
	target	312 mmbf	326 mmbf	328 mmbf	328 mmbf	333 mmbf
2. Net return on timber asset	actual	3.5%	3.26%	3.55%	3.78%	
	target	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
3. Percentage of fires controlled at 10 acres or less	actual	88%	95%	92%	89%	
	target	94%	94%	94%	95%	95%
4. Fire readiness reviews completed	actual	7	12	12	13	
	target	12	12	7	7	7



Performance Measures

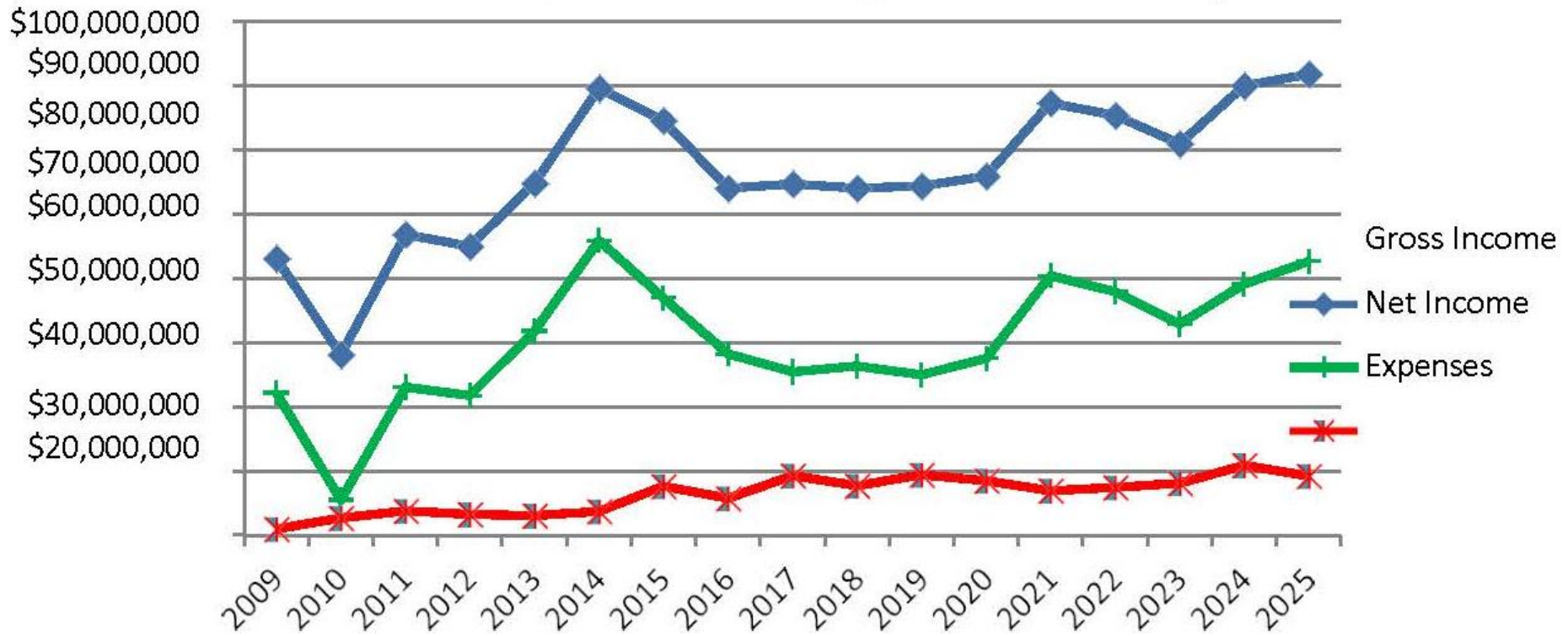
Customer Focus Goal

Performance Measure		FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Customer Focus Goal <i>Deliver programs with professionalism and integrity, providing exemplary service to external and internal customers.</i>						
5. Percentage of forest practices inspected for compliance with the Forest Practices Act (by calendar year)	actual	36%	49%	51%	57%	
	target	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
6. Percentage of expiring lease instruments fully executed by expiration date	actual	58%	43%	68%	63%	
	target	100%	100	100	90%	90%
7. Check scales conducted by the Idaho Board of Scaling Practices	actual	159	171	172	164	
	target	130	130	130	150	150
8. Percentage of engines staffed with fully qualified crew	actual			40%	50%	
	target			75%	75%	75%
9. Percentage of seasonal firefighters returning to IDL	actual			50%	56%	
	target			50%	50%	50%



Endowment Land Net Gross Revenue vs. Expenditures

Gross Income, Net Income, and Total Expenses



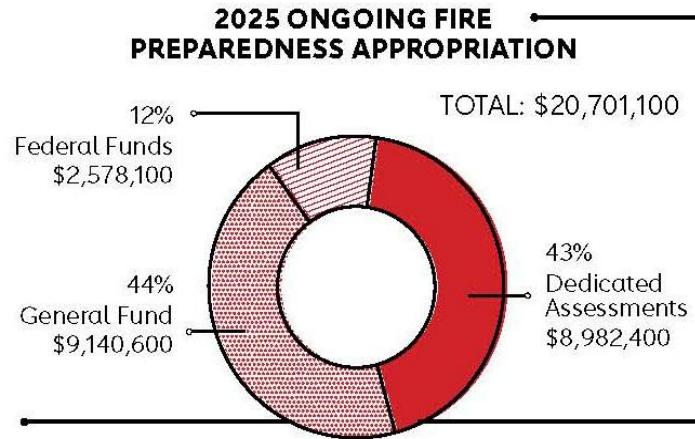
2025 Fire Season Update



380 FIRES

132% OF 20-YEAR AVERAGE

AVERAGE FIRE COST = \$9,140,600
MEDIAN FIRE SIZE = 0.24 ACRES

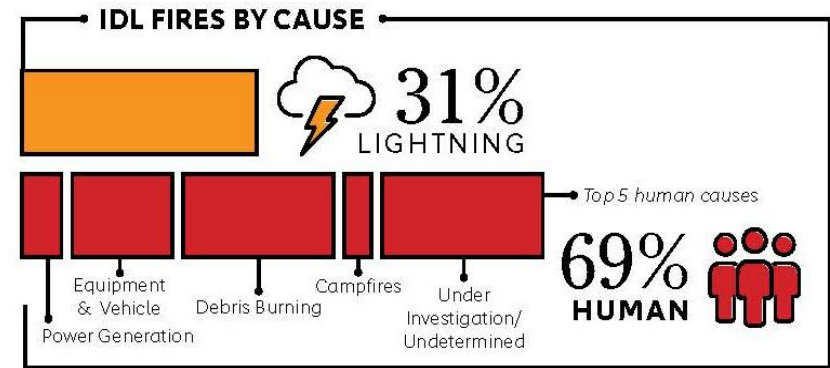


2025 FIRE SEASON COST

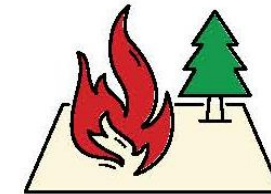
\$40,533,800 General Fund net obligation
+ \$14,685,000 Reimbursable expenses for assisting on fires managed by other agencies

\$55,218,800 TOTAL COSTS*

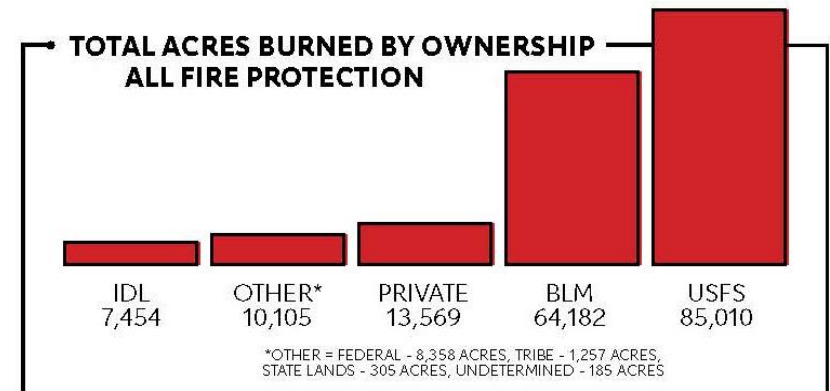
* Estimates as of October 15, 2025. Due to billing cycles across fire protection agencies, the true cost of a single fire season is not known for several years.



94% OF FIRES HELD TO LESS THAN 10 ACRES



4,870 acres burned
IN IDL PROTECTION
20% of 20-Year Average



Return on Investment in IDL Fire

Fire Name	Fire Number	Projcode	Incident Command	Acres	Status/Start date	Fire invs
PACK RIVER	ID-POS-00076	POS 001-25	EVANS/STEPHAN	.33	OUT 4/19	✓
B-Road	ID-POS-00094	POS002-25	Armstrong/Strubs	.5C	OUT 4/23	✓
Forest Way	ID-POS-00101	POS003-25	Stachurski/Bloxson	.80	OUT 4/24	✓
FERN	ID-POS-00105	POS004-25	Bartley/Feddersen	.25	OUT 4/24	✓
Ground of Pleasant	ID-POS-00107	POS005-25	Steffano/Strubs?	1.5	OUT 5/2	✓
Curtis	ID-POS-00121	POS006-25	Bartley	1	OUT 5/27	✓
MANLEY CR.	ID-POS-00177	POS007-25	Thurman/Jiles	.25	OUT 5/27	✓
COLGREN/CULVER	ID-POS-00176	POS008-25	STRUBS/HICKS	7	OUT 5/29	✓
McNearney	ID-POS-00180	POS009-25	BLOXSON	.25	OUT 5/29	✓
Audrey Ln	ID-POS-00182	POS010-25	Bloxson	.16	OUT 5/31	✓
Kelso Lake	ID-POS-00188	POS011-25	Rantley	.25	OUT 5/31	✓
HUNTER HAVEN	N/A	POS012-25	VOID		VOID	
WEST PINE	ID-POS-00195	POS013-25	Hamilton	.21	OUT 6/2	✓
Hunter's Haven 2	ID-POS-00200	POS014-25	Phelan/Feddersen	.14	OUT 6/4	✓
WESTMOND	ID-POS-000213	POS015-25	Bartley	.10	OUT 6/7	✓
CLAGSTONE	ID-POS-000214	POS016-25	STRUBS	.10	OUT 6/10	✓
EAST PINE	ID-POS-000229	POS017-25	STRUBS	3.6	OUT 6/11	✓
Mudhole	ID-POS-000231	POS018-25	Bloxson	.10	OUT 6/12	✓
ROSE BUSH	ID-POS-000263	POS019-25	Thurman	.10	OUT 6/21	✓
Clagstone 2	ID-POS-000299	POS020-25	Bartley/Glanier	.10	OUT 6/29	✓
Happy Folk	ID-POS-000322	POS021-25	Bartley/Sikes	.10	OUT 7/2	✓
Rocky Springs	ID-POS-000337	POS022-25	Bartley	.10	OUT 7/9	✓
False Run	ID-POS-000350	POS023-25	Bloxson	1.1	OUT 7/6	✓
		320FRMA99925	320POL		Fire Depart 10 days	

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Strategic Plan for Managing Wildland Fire

A comprehensive approach to strengthening IDL's fire program to meet current and future challenges. This evolving plan tackles how to:

1. Strengthen organizational capacity for evolving wildland fire challenges.
2. Enhance fire prevention and mitigation efforts.
3. Build adaptive infrastructure to address increasing fire occurrence and severity.
4. Foster interagency collaboration and resilience.
5. Expand existing funding streams.

Completed

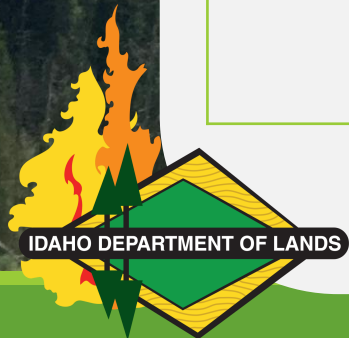
Land Board review and approval in August.

Right now

External stakeholder review and comment period, additional internal stakeholder review.

Next steps

Incorporating stakeholder comments, working on Implementation Plan, putting numbers to needs.



Proposed Legislation: HB511

Idaho Code § 38-111 states: *“For private owners of forest lands whose total acres of forest lands are twenty-six (26) acres or more, the state board of land commissioners shall establish this cost not to exceed sixty-five cents (\$0.65) an acre per year. For private owners of forest lands whose total acres of forest lands are twenty-five (25) acres or fewer, the minimum assessment per year shall be equal to the per acre cost multiplied by twenty-five (25).”*

In addition to any other assessment prescribed in this chapter, the state board of land commissioners shall establish a surcharge to be levied and assessed in an amount not to exceed forty dollars (\$40.00) for each improved lot or parcel to offset costs associated with wildfire preparedness.”

The intent of the structure surcharge is to defray the cost of fire suppression on forest land caused by the existence of the improvements.

This legislation revises Section 38-111, Idaho Code to increase the structure surcharge levied on improved private forest land parcels from a maximum of \$40 to a maximum of \$100. This is a dedicated fund to support wildland fire preparedness.



↶ PRESIDENTIAL ACTIONS

Immediate Expansion of American Timber Production



The White House

March 1, 2025



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Gov. Little ramps up federal forest management with new executive order

Tuesday April 22, 2025

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho – Governor Brad Little issued a new executive order today, the “Make Forests Healthy Again Act,” directing the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) to expand its partnership with the U.S. Forest Service to increase management activities and reduce fire risk in federally managed national forests in Idaho.

*“For too long, millions of acres of national forests in Idaho have remained totally untouched, creating a tinderbox of fuel that threatens communities, air quality, and the environment. The State of Idaho has led the country in standing up programs to help our federal partners increase the pace and scale of active management on federal ground. The work we’ve done is making a difference. However, under the previous administration, we were limited in the extent we could help. That has changed under the Trump administration,” **Governor Little** said.*

The Governor’s action complements a [March 1 executive order](#) from President Donald Trump called the “Freeing our Forests Act” and [an order by USDA Secretary Brooke Rollins](#) this month, both aimed at revitalizing rural communities, improving forest health, and minimizing wildfire risk through increased management of federal forests.

Trump administration officials and Idaho’s agriculture community expressed support for Governor Little’s executive order.

*“I commend Governor Little for acting quickly to fix our national forest emergency. Americans rely on Idaho’s productive and abundant forests, and this executive order will go a long way towards strengthening the timber industry in the state and minimizing harmful pests, disease, and risk of fire,” **U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins** said.*

*“The Forest Service and Idaho share a proud history of collaboration to address critical challenges in maintaining healthy national forests. Idaho leads the way in leveraging the Good Neighbor Authority and advancing our Shared Stewardship efforts to reduce wildfire risk, create healthy and resilient forests, and generate jobs in rural communities,” **Deputy Under Secretary of Natural Resources and Environment Kristin Sleeper** said.*





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Friday December 5, 2025

Boise, Idaho – Governor Brad Little joined U.S. Forest Service Chief Tom Schultz and Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) Director Dustin Miller today to renew and expand Idaho’s Shared Stewardship agreement with the federal government to increase the pace and scale of management activities on Idaho forests.

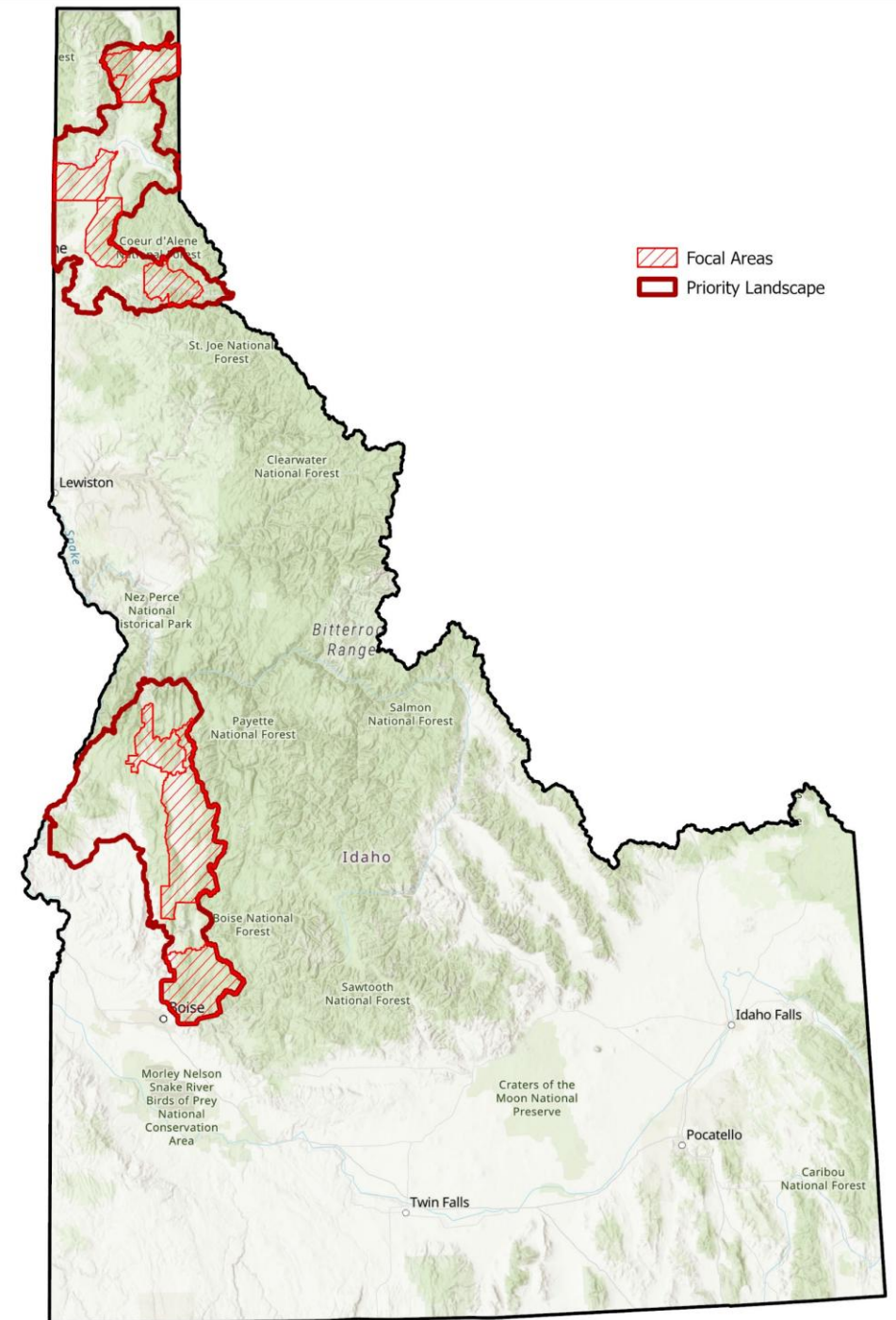
“Idaho’s early leadership with the Good Neighbor Authority laid the groundwork for an even more ambitious model – Shared Stewardship. We are building on a foundation of cooperation and resource-sharing and expanding that work across entire landscapes and ownership boundaries. I am confident that our continued efforts and partnerships will deliver lasting benefits for Idaho’s forests and our rural communities. Idaho once again is leading the nation in collaborative, innovative approaches to improving forestlands in Idaho, and we’re just getting started,” **Governor Little said.**



Idaho Shared Stewardship

Shared Stewardship Highlights—2025

- New 2025 Idaho Shared Stewardship Agreement
- Enhanced GNA targets
- Infrastructure funding, fed. funding pauses, and new funding = uneven treatments on private lands
- FFY25, \$12.9 million awarded to 7 counties in North and South Priority Landscapes
- Cross-Boundary Teams in Valley and Shoshone Counties
- New County-IDL GNA Agreements with Boundary, Latah and Idaho counties



North-Idaho Shared Stewardship Priority Landscape 2025 Accomplishments

USFS

16,851
acres

GNA

1,329
acres

IDL

3,260
acres

Boundary,
Bonner,
Kootenai,
Shoshone
Counties (fuels
reduction)

642
acres

NRCS
EQIP

4,900
acres

Private
Industrial &
Nonindustrial
Harvested

38,624
acres



South-Idaho Shared Stewardship Priority Landscape 2025 Accomplishments

USFS

22,713
acres

GNA

3,750
acres

IDL

3,914
acres

Adams,
Valley, Boise
Counties
(fuels reduction)

493
acres

NRCS
EQIP

134
acres

Private
Industrial &
Nonindustrial
Harvested

3,364
acres



2025 Highlights, GNA Sales

14 GNA Timber Sales Awarded

- 53.7 total MMBF, 4,510 total harvest acres
- \$9.4 million total net sale value

40 GNA Restoration Contracts Awarded(\$2.4M value)

- 13 road improvement projects
- 2,500 ac hazardous fuels treatments
- 750 ac reforestation
- 4 Project Planning/NEPA contracts

IDL-Sawtooth NF GNA Agreement Executed Sept. 2025



2025 Salvage Timber Sales

State Endowment

- 4 Sales
- 8 mmbf
- 5000 acres

(21 MMBF salvage spring of 2026 from Dec. 2025 storm)

USFS (GNA)

- 6 sales
- 5.1 mmbf
- 950 acres



Questions?

