

## **Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board / Idaho Fish and Game Commission Joint Meeting in Hailey, Idaho on November 19, 2015**

IOGLB is a “self-governing”, “dedicated fund” state agency with responsibility to regulate the outfitting and guiding industry for the explicit purpose of safeguarding the health, safety, and welfare of the public and to assist with conservation efforts to preserve the state’s fish, wildlife, and natural resources. This mission is accomplished through a comprehensive educational process aimed at the industry, the general public, the legislature, and other cooperating agencies, and through appropriate enforcement of the Outfitters and Guides Act to ensure compliance with state law and Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board rules. IOGLB also plays a role in helping promote public awareness of recreation and tourism opportunities in Idaho.

The agency is governed by a five-member board. One (1) member shall be a member of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, or a person selected by that body. Each appointment made by the Fish and Game Commission shall be for a term of three (3) years. One (1) member shall be selected from the public. Three (3) members of the Board shall be qualified and licensed outfitters and guides who have not had less than five (5) years' experience in the business of outfitting and guiding in the state of Idaho. Each appointment shall be for the term of three (3) years, and each board member shall hold office for a term of three (3) years. The Board employs an Executive Director, currently Jake Howard who provides direction to the Office Supervisor who oversees three Office Specialist II positions and to the Education and Enforcement Supervisor who supervises 5 part time agents and investigators. Director Howard also coordinates and oversees two attorneys under contract to the Board.

IOGLB annually licenses 380 to 410 outfitter businesses which provide diverse services such as hunting, fishing, boat tours and other licensed activities to the outfitted public. These private businesses in turn employ roughly 2600 licensed designated agents, licensed guides and other staff. On the average, these outfitter businesses serve over 100,000 individuals annually including residents and non-residents generating close to 400,000 use days recreating in Idaho. Upwards of 95% of the approximately 400 licensed outfitter businesses operate on lands administered by state and federal agencies, and typically pay 3% of gross income for the privilege. Combined with operating expenses that include state licensing, bonding, insurance and other business expenses, it is estimated that the outfitting industry as a whole has a multiplier effect that contributes in excess of \$100 million dollars to Idaho’s economy, particularly in rural Idaho.

The IOGLB and IDFG work cooperatively on various matters such as determining the appropriate involvement of outfitters and guides in their use of Idaho’s fish and wildlife, managing approximately 1848 allocated zone elk tags and 248 controlled hunt deer and elk tags, conduct covert and open investigations and prosecuting criminal and administrative related matters, the coordination and mapping of outfitter licensed operating areas and possibly in the future, the coordination and documentation of outfitter client use/harvest reports.

## Revenue and Expenditures

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>
State Regulatory Fund	\$501,900	\$490,100	\$533,700	\$519,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$501,900</b>	<b>\$490,100</b>	<b>\$533,700</b>	<b>\$519,600</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>
Personnel Costs	\$292,900	\$312,000	\$319,000	\$318,400
Operating Expenditures	\$162,000	\$204,200	\$117,600	\$178,200
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trustee/Benefit Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$454,900</b>	<b>\$516,200</b>	<b>\$436,600</b>	<b>\$496,600</b>

## Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

<b>Cases Managed / Key Services Provided</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>
Outfitter Licenses Issued	405	383	402	390
Designated Agent Licenses Issued	364	374	377	372
Guide License Issued	2,210	2,205	2,147	2,345
Outfitter License Major Amendments	32	46	44	22
Outfitter License Minor Amendments	41	20	21	53
Designated Agent Amendments	19	40	3	10
Guide Amendments	189	193	215	310
Enforcement Cases Processed	126	116	74	70