

Meeting Date: May 17, 2017

Agenda Item No. 5C

Agenda Item: Springfield Access Exchange (**Action**)

Bureau Chief Approval: _____

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Background:

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game was contacted by the Larsen family in November 2016 with a request to exchange a small portion of a Springfield city lot (owned by IDFG) for an equal portion of property owned by the Larsen family. The Larsen family had purchased the property years ago but had recently learned that a portion of their pasture was IDFG property. The Springfield access site is used for angler access to Springfield Lake and is managed with Bingham County. The Springfield access exchange involves transferring .11 acres of pasture to the Larsen Family to the east of the Springfield access site. The Larson Family is transferring .11 acres of native habitat to the Department. This exchange will block up the ownership on a North-South line. There will be no loss of access to Springfield Lake. This exchange is requested by the Larsen Family and all associated costs were split.

Acquisition costs are \$0. Fee in lieu of taxes (FILT) is \$0 as it's less than 15 acres.

Statutory Authority and/or Policy Issues:

Land acquisition in accordance with Commission land acquisition policy.

Public Involvement Process:

N/A as it's less than 15 acres.

Staff Recommendation:

The Lands Committee recommends proceeding with the exchange.

Action Requested:

Suggested Motion: Commission adopt staff recommendations and approve proceeding with the Springfield access exchange.