Meeting Date: July 28, 2022 Agenda Item No. 5F

**Agenda Item:** Region 3 – Fort Boise – Mann Exchange — **Approved by:** <u>JR</u>

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Manager

## **Background:**

The Fort Boise – Mann exchange would approve the Department to exchange 1.52 acres located on the east side of the Union Pacific Railroad for 0.77 acres located on the west side of the Union Pacific Railroad. The Department's parcel has never been developed or maintained as part of Fort Boise WMA. The exchange will streamline the Fort Boise WMA boundary, eliminate potential private property trespass issues, and alleviate safety concerns regarding sportsmen near a very active section of railroad track.

IDFG will convey to Mann a parcel totaling 1.52 acres with an estimated value of \$6,638. The IDFG Property shares a common boundary along the eastern edge with other property owned by Mann. In return, Mann will convey to IDFG a 0.77 acre parcel with an estimated value of \$3,354. This parcel in bordered on two sides by the Fort Boise WMA. Mann will pay the value difference between the Mann Property and IDFG Property.

This property was previously presented to the Commission during Executive Session in November 2020.

IDFG already manages the adjacent surrounding land so resources are already available and on-site to manage the small parcel.

FILT is estimated at \$0 as exchange is less than 10 acres.

## **Statutory Authority and/or Policy issues:**

Land acquisition in accordance with Commission land acquisition policy.

## **Public Involvement Process:**

Canyon County commissioners have been notified.

## **Staff Recommendation:**

The Department recommends completing the Fort Boise WMA – Mann property exchange.

Suggested Motion: I move to approve the Fort Boise – Mann property exchange.