

State of Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board

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Board Meeting Minutes of 11/19/2025

Board Brad Compton - Chair Members Tammy Overacker Present: Kenneth Long

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Carl Rey
Lonnie Allen

Division John Price, Executive Officer **Staff:** Greg Loos, Legal Counsel

Zac Clifford, OGLB Program Coordinator Allegra Earl, Licensing Program Manager Skip Liddle, Investigative Unit Manager Steve Hogue, Investigative Unit Supervisor Christian Runnalls, Board Support Specialist

Others Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor

Present:

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Brad Compton.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 08/27/2025 and 09/04/2025 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Bitton stated he appreciates seeing the topic of vacated tags due to an expired license on the agenda and thanked the Board for addressing it.

Louise Stark stated her concern about the statements made by the DOGE Taskforce on consolidating agencies and entities, such as the Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board (OGLB), under an umbrella "Natural Resource Agency." She stated that OGLB has more value to the outfitting community as an independent entity, and she asked that the Board remain as it is.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Financial Update: Mr. Price presented the Board's financial report for the first quarter of FY2026, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$288,211.87 as of September 30, 2025.

Board Expenditures: Mr. Price presented the Board's expenditures, stating that the majority of the Board's revenue is collected in the third fiscal quarter. He stated that the downward trend of the Board's cash balance is primarily a result of the OASIS production costs and the consolidation of outfitter licenses. Mr. Price stated that going forward, there will only be annual maintenance costs for OASIS, and he presented a projection showing that the Board's operating costs have decreased due to improved efficiencies. He suggested that the Board conduct rulemaking only once every two or three years to further reduce expenses.

Legislative Update: Mr. Price gave a legislative update stating that no current legislation affects the Board. He reviewed executive agency legislation that consolidates some DOPL health profession boards,

as well as the annual controlled substance bill. Mr. Price also informed the Board that a universal discipline bill has been proposed, which would establish an overriding disciplinary statute applicable to all licensing board practice acts.

BOARD BUSINESS

Allocated Tag Hardship Deadline: Mr. Clifford stated that the Board can set the allocated tag deadline for a specific annual date rather than determining it each year. The Board discussed the hardship request timeline, the benefits and drawbacks of setting a later vs an earlier deadline, and whether the date should be set in rule. Following the discussion, the Board expressed its desire to designate the third Wednesday of February as the deadline.

A motion was made and seconded to set the deadline for hardship requests for allocated tag use history for the 2025 season as February 18, 2026. The motion carried unanimously.

Negotiated Rulemaking: Mr. Loos presented the following proposed rule changes based on feedback from the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association (IOGA) and Idaho Fish and Game (IDFG):

Rule 257.04.c – New Hunt Allocated Tag Designation: The Board changed language to state, "In any hunt where the average use of the last two years' results in a number ending in .5 and the resulting designation is rounded down, apply the following:" based on recommendations from staff.

Rule 259.02 – Licensable Waters – River Sections (MF1) Middle Fork Salmon River through (SE2) Selway River – Table: Based on feedback from IDFG and for clarity, the Board changed the boundary description for SA8 to the following: "Hammer Creek to the Idaho/Washington State line near Lewiston."

Rule 259.03 – Licensable Waters – River Sections (SH1) Henry's Fork Snake River through (TE3) Teton River – Table: Based on feedback from IDFG and for clarity, the Board changed the boundary description for SN14 to the following: "Pittsburg Landing to the Idaho/Washington State Line near Lewiston. Excludes the mouth of the Salmon River, defined as a straight line perpendicular to flow from the most downstream point of land where the Salmon and Snake rivers merge."

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the proposed rule changes as pending and have them posted in the Administrative Bulletin. The motion carried unanimously.

2026 Undesignated Tags: Mr. Clifford explained that there are undesignated tags resulting from a license expiration. He explained that the Board can either put those tags into the pool to be picked up by other outfitters through the waiting list or recalculate the designation for the hunt to include those tags.

A motion was made and seconded to direct staff to place the undesignated tags for the Sawtooth A and B elk hunts, and Controlled Hunt 2181 in the undesignated tag pool to be picked up by eligible outfitters through a waiting list request. The motion carried unanimously.

Enforcement Update: Mr. Steiner gave an enforcement update. He reviewed the number of checks he conducted with IDFG, the Forest Service, other agencies, guides, and outfitters. He stated that licensees have been very cooperative, and interactions have been positive.

Work Plan Update: Mr. Price gave an update on the work plan. He reviewed items and tasks that have been completed.

Licensing Report: Ms. Earl presented the licensing report.

Executive Session

A motion was made and seconded to enter executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law, Idaho Code § 74-106(9). The purpose of the executive session was to discuss documents relating to the fitness of a licensee to obtain or retain a license or registration. The vote was: Brad Compton, aye; Tammy Overacker, aye; Carl Rey, aye; Lonnie Allen, aye; and Kenneth Long, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously. No decisions were made in executive session.

Applications

A motion was made and seconded to deny application 1806931 based on reasons discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to grant a conditional license for applications 1834882, 1864351, and 1807614 pursuant to Idaho Code 67-9411(3). The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve application 1817510. The motion carried with one dissenting vote.

Discipline

A motion was made and seconded to close case number 1802248 with an advisory letter. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the prosecuting attorney to negotiate a Stipulation and Consent Order with terms discussed in executive session for case numbers 1787320, 1764979, 1857501, and 1818388, and to allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:32 PM.

The next meeting is on 03/12/2026.