



State of Idaho

Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board

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Board Meeting Minutes of 05/28/2026

Board Members Present: Tammy Overacker - Chair
Kenneth Long
Carl Rey
Lonnie Allen

Division Staff: John Price, Executive Officer
Matt Storm, Outfitter Designation Program Coordinator
Greg Loos, General Counsel
Steve Hogue, Investigative Unit Supervisor
Allegra Earl, Licensing Unit Manager
Christian Runnalls, Board Support Specialist

Others Present: Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Tammy Overacker.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 03/12/2026 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Louise Stark thanked the Board for its efforts in establishing the Stan Potts opportunity and thanked the Board for its diligence and follow-through on outfitter opportunities. Ms. Stark stated she is glad to see the Board's consideration of river vacancies and asked the Board to review the vacancy left by Pioneer Outfitters in the Chamberlain Basin.

Jeff Bitton, Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association, thanked everyone for serving on the Board and stated that the industry appreciates everything the Board does.

Rob Farmer, Red Horse Properties LLC (dba: Red Horse Mountain Ranch), stated his intent to make comments to the Board about his non-use when the agenda item is addressed. He gave a brief summary of his response to the Board concerning the non-use.

DIVISION BUSINESS

2026 Legislative Session: Mr. Storm presented information on the following legislation:

- H0652 declares hunting as the Idaho state sport.
- H0678a allows wolf trappers to inspect their traps remotely with transmitting cameras.
- H0855 changes the eligibility requirement to purchase a lifetime hunting license, requiring a person to have lived in Idaho for at least five years.
- H0939 regulates the use of thermal imaging, night vision, transmitting trail cameras, and drones for hunting, providing exemptions for predator and agricultural purposes.
- S1241a affirms the right to utilize working animals for mutual benefit and welfare and prohibits state or local governments from enacting or enforcing ordinances, regulations, or rules that are

more restrictive than state law or that effectively prohibit the lawful use of working animals or working animal enterprises.

- S1300 provides for Senate advice and consent as well as gubernatorial appointment for the directors of the Idaho Departments of Transportation, Fish and Game, and Parks and Recreation, consistent with other state agencies.
- H0703a establishes a unified, Division-wide disciplinary framework for all boards, commissions, committees, and programs administered by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses.

Open Meeting Law Training: Mr. Loos gave a presentation on the Open Meeting Law.

Financial Update/Projections: Mr. Price presented the Board's financial report for the third quarter of FY2026, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$394,023.00 as of March 31, 2026.

BOARD BUSINESS

Board Elections: A motion was made and seconded to elect Ms. Overacker as the Board Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to elect Ms. Allen as the Board Vice Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

IDFG Presentation: Rick Ward, Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG), gave updates on the May IDFG Commission meeting, the non-resident deer and elk tag draw, IDFG rulemaking, and Chronic Wasting Disease.

SN1/SN2 Prospectus: Mr. Storm provided an overview of the open opportunities on the Snake River sections SN1 and SN2. Monica Zimmerman, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), stated that BLM supports the prospectus process and expressed opposition to using a waitlist due to the high level of interest from outfitters. The Board discussed moving forward with the prospectus process with BLM but wants the waitlist to be considered during the process.

A motion was made and seconded to move forward with the SN1 and SN2 prospectuses and submit the waitlists to BLM for consideration in the selection process. Following discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Non-Use Reporting: Mr. Storm stated that all outfitters showing non-use were contacted by the Division and asked to provide reasons for non-use. He listed the outfitters who have non-use, for whom no Board action is required. He then summarized the remaining responses received, as well as those outfitters who did not respond to the Division. The Board discussed and designated which outfitters would be sent an advisory letter of non-compliance, and which would be sent to investigations.

A motion was made and seconded to direct staff to send letters of non-compliance to designated outfitters with expectations of use by next year. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to move designated outfitters who did not respond to the Board to the investigative unit, with the option for the outfitters to relinquish their section with non-use. The motion carried unanimously.

Stan Potts Update: Mr. Price stated the Division received nine applications for the Stan Potts opportunity. All applications met the minimum requirements and were sent to the Forest Service. The Forest Service expects to complete the application process by July 1, 2026.

Spring Chinook Salmon Season Update: Mr. Price gave an update on the Spring Chinook Salmon Season.

Waiting Lists Update: Mr. Price stated the intent of the Division is to update the website with all waiting list processes for transparency. He explained how information will be displayed on the website.

Enforcement Update: Mr. Steiner gave an enforcement update, including a review of the outfitting checks he conducted so far this year. He stated all interactions with outfitters and clients were positive. Mr. Steiner also stated that the relationship he has with BLM, the Forest Service, and IDFG is extremely positive.

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

GIS Mapping Funding: Mr. Price stated that the GIS Mapping system is not functioning, and requested that the Board approve funds to continue updating the mapping in the event the system is fixed over the summer.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the funding of \$9,999.99 for updating GIS maps through IDFG in the event the services are repaired. The motion carried unanimously.

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: Ms. Overacker, aye; Mr. Rey, aye; Ms. Allen, aye; and Mr. Long, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Applications

A motion was made and seconded to approve applications 1984944 and 1624375 with conditions discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve conditional licensure for application 2029312 based on Idaho Code § 67-9411(3). The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded for application 1952370 to approve Lake Cascade and Island Park Reservoir, to table Williams Lake for additional information, and to deny Johnson Pond for reasons discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to deny applications 2070179 and 2080516 for reasons discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to table applications 1986640 and 2015803 pending receipt of additional information. The motion carried unanimously.

Discipline

A motion was made and seconded to close case numbers 1974683, 1885817, 1879106, and 1885911 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 1999554, 2015206, 1864282, 1877422, and 1962757, and to allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Findings of Fact as presented in executive session for case numbers 1419412 and 1739620. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM.

The next meeting is on 09/02/2026.