



# Idaho Fish & Wildlife FOUNDATION

Preserving & Sustaining Idaho's WILDLIFE HERITAGE



## IFWF Staying WILD!

An important part of the staff's job duties include getting out into the field and visiting projects to which the Foundation has provided funds. The following are just a few from our fall trips.

- August Board Meeting-Rainy Creek
- Ponderosa State Park-Be The Bear Program
- Snowden Wildlife Sanctuary-Bear Cub enclosure
- Andrus WMA
- Teton Land Trust
- Market Lake WMA Viewing Platform



Board Members Mike Baldner and John Carlisle at Rainy Creek.

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The Idaho Fish & Wildlife Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 1990, dedicated to preserving and sustaining Idaho's fishing, hunting, and wildlife heritage.

Headquartered in Boise, Idaho, the Foundation is governed by a volunteer board representing all regions of Idaho.

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# Welcome

 from Executive Director  
Hilarie Engle

As 2017 comes to a close I am still in awe of all of the wonderful and wild places that Idaho has to offer. I was born and raised in Idaho, and I still don't feel like I have even touched the surface of our beautiful state. In 2018 I will continue to explore our state, reaching out to Idahoans that work hard every day to preserve our wildlife heritage. There are so many opportunities for hiking, birdwatching, wildlife viewing, hunting and fishing; we need to continue to work to save these wide open spaces so that future generations can enjoy them with their families.

I would ask that each of you consider a donation to the Foundation to help us continue to provide funds so Idaho can STAY WILD! Take a look at our 2017 grantees, each of these organizations are doing their part...will you take the challenge?

*Hilarie*

## Grant Spotlight 2017 Grantees

We received an incredible response to our 2017 grant request. The Grants & Distribution Committee reviewed and discussed each application. We were pleased to see a diverse group of applications from around the State.



### 2017 Competitive Grants Recipients:

IDFG Watchable Wildlife Program - Wildlife Viewing Blind at Market Lake WMA

IDFG K9 Team - Hot Dog Heat Alert System

Idaho Dept. of Lands - Sinker Creek Redband Trout OHV Mitigation Project

Teton Regional Land Trust - Teton Creek Corridor Restoration & Enhancement Project

Snowdon Wildlife Sanctuary - Fence Panels for Bear Cub

Idaho Chapter of American Fisheries Society-Anadromous Committee - The Stream of Dreams

IDFG - Selkirk Grizzly Bear Education Project

Ponderosa State Park - "Be the Bear" Trail

Trout Unlimited Panhandle Chapter - Trout and About Festival

Trout Unlimited Reed Gillespie Chapter - Cascade-Strand Trail Habitat Enhancement



**The Competitive 2018 Grant Program Opens For Applications on February 1, 2018.**





# Local neighborhood bands together to protect the Foothills we hold dear!

Never underestimate what a committed group of individuals can do to improve their surroundings. Members of the Barber Valley Neighborhood Association worked tirelessly to figure out a way to purchase a parcel of land in the Boise Foothills above their neighborhood. John Mooney, Michael Popa and Brandy Wilson spearheaded a neighborhood group into a grassroots movement to raise over \$400,000 to purchase what is formerly known as the Ramaker Property in east Boise.

Mooney, Popa and Wilson worked with not only the neighbors, but also sought guidance from local nonprofits on the best way to move forward. The Idaho Shakespeare Festival, whose foothill view might have been diminished with further development on the property, was able to provide guidance on how to solicit and accept donations for the project, ultimately stepping up and providing administrative support. The Land Trust of the Treasure Valley came forward with a gift towards the purchase price. The neighborhood committee approached the Foundation on providing a \$55,000 bridge loan for the property purchase. This allowed the neighbors who wanted to make large contributions, but could not afford to do so in a single year, the opportunity to participate through a multi-year pledge program. The City of Boise could see that this neighborhood was passionate and willing to do what was needed to make the project happen, not just all talk. A grant through their Open Space Fund was approved for the remaining funds to close on the property.

**Because a small group banded together and became a larger voice, 25 acres in the Boise Foothills will forever be preserved for future generations.**



## Staff Spotlight Lorraine Mallett

Lorraine is a native Idahoan originating from Moscow, Idaho and has lived in the Treasure Valley the last thirteen years. She joined the Idaho Fish & Wildlife Foundation as the Administrative Assistant in 2014. This is her first experience working for a non-profit organization. She has enjoyed learning about the different rules a nonprofit has to hold to and all the wonderful benefits the Foundation has done in the last 27 years for Idaho.

Lorraine coordinates the Foundation's competitive grant program which enables new projects and efforts compatible with the Foundation's mission. Lorraine comes from a large family that enjoys the outdoors, hunting, fishing, and wildlife watching. She enjoys visiting her four grandchildren, ATV riding, huckleberry picking (and eating them!), reading, sewing and exploring new terrains.



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