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AGENDA ITEM
Idaho Park and Recreation Quarterly Meeting
November 8-9, 2023
McCall, ID 83638

AGENDA ITEM: **LWCF Grant Advisory Committee Appointment**

ACTION REQUIRED: **Board Action Required**

PRESENTER: **Kathy Muir, Grant Manager**

PRESENTATION

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Department has two (2) citizen advisory positions open to appoint on the Land and Water Conservation Fund Committee.

Open positions include Community 5,000 or less and Minority.

Recently IDPR received an application to fill the Community 5,000 or less position. Wendy Walter is from Spirit Lake and recently retired from the Idaho Department of Lands. She has experience with Endowment Lands and Idaho's navigable waters. She is an Idaho native who loves the outdoors, especially camping, boating, fishing, and hunting. Her complete application is attached.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board appoint Wendy Walters to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Committee to represent Communities under 5,000 population.

Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Application Form



Name: Wendy J. Walter Address: 31116 N. 10th Avenue
Phone #: (Home) N/A City: Spirit Lake State: ID Zip: 83869
Phone #: (Work or Cell) 208-308-0957 (cell) Email: wwalter1113@gmail.com

I am applying for the following committee: ☐ Recreational Vehicle; ☐ Off-Road Motor Vehicle;
☐ Recreational Trails; ☐ Waterways Improvement Fund;
☒ Land & Water Conservation Fund (double click on box to check)

☒ I am an Idaho resident

1. What knowledge or experience do you have that would contribute to the Committee?

I am a native Idahoan having grown up on a seed potato farm in eastern Idaho. I recently retired from 15 years' service to the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL). The last 10 years I worked in Coeur d'Alene at the IDL Bureau of Fire Management. My role as the Fire Business Program Manager, I was responsible for the agency's Fire budget, implementation of policies, funding, and auditing of Fire Suppression efforts for the state of Idaho, and Idaho Fire resources assisting nationally and internationally. During that time, I worked with Federal agencies to ensure they understand the importance of suppressing fire on state and private forest and range land in Idaho.

In retirement, I continue to support IDL in the capacity of Incident Business Advisor, where I monitor the use of tax dollars for wildfire suppression for large and complex wildfire. This includes the use of public and private waterways for fire suppression.

Prior to working at the Fire Bureau, I worked for IDL in the Jerome Field office. During that time, I received first-hand knowledge and experience in how IDL manages state Endowment Lands and Idaho's navigable waters to ensure compliance with state laws and agency policy.

I worked in Law Enforcement for 17 years prior to my work at IDL. I managed budgets, wrote a subsequent successful grant application to purchase police vehicles and equipment early in my career.

I have lived in Idaho my entire life. I have experienced the outdoors when camping, boating, fishing, and hunting in our great state.

2. (Pertinent) natural resource organizations you belong to:

Idaho Department of Lands, retired in October 2021. Currently work as a seasonal employee when called upon to supporting the national efforts for wildland fire response.

3. Please list the title of the open position which you are applying for as listed in the request for recruitment. (Example: Snowmobiling, District II, Elderly, etc.)

Land & Water Conservation Fund

4. What, in your opinion, is the program lacking or what improvements can be made?

I am not familiar with this program; however, it is my opinion that every committee can gain a different or new perspective when including someone new to an organization or group. I have dedicated the majority of my life to public service in Idaho, and appreciate efforts to safeguard our natural resources.

5. Is your interest in the Committee through:

☐ Membership in a club or organization ☐ Commercial ☐ User

☒ Other (describe): I was asked if I had an interest by a former colleague.

6. Which recreational equipment do you own that is currently registered in Idaho?

☒ Motor Boat

☐ Snowmobile

☐ Motorbike

☒ Recreational Vehicle

☒ Off-Road Motor Vehicle

☐ N/A

7. For verification purposes, please provide the **current year** registration or sticker number for the above equipment that is provided by Idaho Parks & Recreation or the Department of Motor Vehicles, if it is an RV (snap a picture with your phone and send if possible):

Boat – B23-008085

RV – ERX638

ATV – Sticker M23-076692

8. Please list the year, make & model of the above equipment that makes you eligible for this position?

Boat – 2007 BUJ Tracker, Model BT

RV – Outdoors RV, 2017 Glacier Peak 28RKS

ATV – 2005 Honda ATV TRX350

9. What name is the equipment registered under (Please be specific)?

Mark J. or Wendy J. Walter

10. Approximately how often do you use your recreational equipment (months or days) per year? 5
months/year _____

11. Committee members will be required to review, make notes and score all applications within an on-line system in electronic format. Please indicate if you have a computer with reliable access to the internet and email.

☒ Yes
☐ No

What internet browser do you use? Google Chrome and Microsoft Edge

12. Committee members may be required to participate in ZOOM-type meetings. Do you have a system with a webcam and microphone that will allow you to join a virtual meeting?

☒ Yes
☐ No

You are not limited to the space provide on this form.

Advisory committee members are required to attend the rating meeting in Boise in March and must sign a Memorandum of Understanding.

If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in a meeting or event due to a disability as defined under the ADA, please contact Alyssa Alves at 208-514-2408 or Alyssa.Alves@idpr.idaho.gov at least seven (7) business days prior to the scheduled meeting to request an accommodation.

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