



Before you hunt, keep these three things in mind

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For many Idahoans, fall is the best time of year for one reason - hunting! As you head out to hunt this fall, please keep three things in mind:

1. Fire season isn't over yet.

Idaho still has not experienced a "season-ending weather event" or enough rain or snow for fire managers to call the fire season to an end.

Even though there are no restrictions on campfires right now, **make sure your campfire is cool to the touch** before leaving it so you do not unintentionally start a wildfire.

2. Endowment lands are available for you to enjoy, so please respect them.

Management activities on more than 2.4 million acres of state endowment trust lands **produced more than \$73 million in payments** to Idaho public schools and other State of Idaho institutions this year. The Idaho Department of Lands manages these lands under the direction of the Land Board.

A recent analysis shows **96 percent of endowment lands are accessible for recreation** by foot, watercraft, or vehicle. You can view accessible endowment lands on the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Hunt Planner Map Center [here](#).

Help us maintain these lands' potential and your riding privilege by keeping Off-Highway Vehicles on established roads and trails.

3. Free camping is allowed on endowment lands, but only for up to 10 days in most parts of the state.

Free camping is allowed on accessible endowment lands for no more than 10 consecutive days in most parts of the state. In southwest Idaho, the limit is 14 consecutive nights.

