



FY2021 Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Fund Annual Report

[Idaho Code 67-7126\(4\)](#) established the OHV Fund within the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL). One dollar from every OHV registration is allocated to IDL to “provide off-highway vehicle opportunities and to repair damage directly related to off-highway vehicle use.” The statute requires IDL to “annually publish a report specifically identifying the uses of moneys allocated” to the OHV Fund.

FY21 OHV Fund

Revenue

Transfers In	111,483.00
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Expenses

Statewide: Welcome Signs	2,365.25
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The signs provide guidance, inform the recreating public of land ownership, and identify some guidelines for recreating on endowment lands

Priest Lake: Off Road Vehicle Mitigation	5,229.53
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Purchased camping signs to designate camp spots on a block with a considerable amount of OHV use and indiscriminate camping. Purchased native grass seed, and the Priest Lake Fire Crew assisted by spreading the seed over reclaimed unauthorized OHV trails.

Pend Oreille: Hayes Gulch Toilet	9,252.33
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Project costs include IDLs monetary match for an RTP grant, installation of a vault toilet to address human waste problems at the popular multi-use motorized single track trailhead. Purchased crushed rock, rented a compactor, and the Pend Oreille staff completed the finish work around the toilet, making it ADA accessible.

Pend Oreille: Hoodoo	14,626.40
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Project costs include travel and expenses to construct a one mile reroute of 50” OHV trail, signing and installation of trail width limiters. Due to prior problems of larger vehicle encroachment on trails in this area, we purchased and placed limiters in locations where the 50” trail intersect roads. The Pend Oreille fire crew assisted with installation of the limiters and trail construction. Unauthorized routes compromised several sections of the main haul road after a rainstorm. A contractor made repairs to the main haul road and reclaimed the unauthorized OHV routes.

Mica: Cable Creek Mitigation	14,458.81
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Rented equipment to reclaim unauthorized trails and a logging road crossing private property. Installed fencing and placed signs to assist with compliance and inform recreationists on changes to the block. The planned single-track trail system is on hold as we work with the Spokane Liberty Lake ORV Park to fix fence breaches and get compliance. The Mica and Cataldo fire crews assisted with fence installation.

St. Joe: Floodwood Inventory	2,926.49
A contractor completed the first stage of the recreation inventory project, establishing, and digitizing a baseline of routes, trailheads and camping locations. The baseline information will be used to assist with physical inventory in the second phase of the project. When complete, the inventory will be used to consider future recreation opportunities.	
St. Joe: Tyson Creek	225.40
Lodging cost for IDL Recreation Program Manager and IDPR Trail Cat Operator, to reclaim one mile of 50" trail and move it out of a riparian area to a sustainable location.	
Clearwater: Magnus Bay/Evans Creek OHV	1,946.98
Magnus Bay Road open only to OHV and management traffic, was resurfaced to improve the road surface and drainage. Purchased native grass to assist with the recovery of unauthorized OHV use.	
Southwest: Steamboat Project	10,216.68
A contractor repaired the dilapidated entrance road to the Steamboat Trailhead by grading, graveling and mending potholes. IDL rented a large excavator and partnered with the IDPR Trail Cat program, to rehabilitate multiple unauthorized and unsustainable trails. Rerouted two, half mile sections of singletrack trail to improve alignment and sustainability.	
East Idaho: Kelly Canyon Project	11,796.17
We completed a mixture of mitigation and improvement projects Kelly Canyon, Rock Creek, and Sawmill/Brockman blocks.	
For the Kelly Canyon block, we built one mile of new 50" trail and named it Cranky Chicken. The new trail replaced two unsustainable hill climbs. From prior inventory and ground truthing, the Kelly Canyon trail system locations are mostly determined and partially signed. Over the next couple of years, construction, reclamation and signing will be completed. Following construction, signing and reclamation, a map will be available using a QR code located at the trail system trailheads.	
Rock Creek block is a heavily used camping area in the shoulder recreating seasons. This block is a jump off point for OHVs, where unwanted OHV and camping impacts have increased. To deter additional impacts we installed a buck n' rail fence, signs and gates.	
For the Sawmill/Brockman block, we installed trail signs, three ride over cattle guards, repaired fencing and improved a creek crossing. The project mitigated gates being left open, guided recreationists through the block and reduced erosion into a stream.	
East Idaho: Homer Basin Fence Project	787.50
OHVs accessing an authorized trail created a mud bog. The program paid for half the cost to install a culvert and repair the mud bog, while maintaining sustainable access.	
Security Patrols	31,213.60
The security patrol contractors and Idaho Department of Fish & Game monitored recreation use on endowment lands and enforced closures. They interacted with the recreating public to provide education on access issues and department policies. Problem areas were identified, gate breaches were repaired, and mitigation was performed under other contracts. Each year the security contracts assist with management, by documenting and reporting recreational impact observations. The information provided by IDFG and the security patrols are valuable to assist with addressing challenges.	
Priest Lake Patrol	7,504.57
Pend Oreille Patrol	7,500.00

Mica Patrol	8,516.41
Ponderosa Patrol	2,351.65
Payette Patrol	5,340.97

Recreation Program: Budget Spend Down

To address the recreation program, cash balance surplus, the OHV/Recreation Program Manager worked with the recreation committee to create a five-year plan to reduce the surplus to a more manageable level. While reducing the surplus by spending down the cash balance is a priority, the focus remains on utilizing the fund for quality projects and purchases.