



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.

FY23 OHV Fund 0075-73

Beginning Cash Balance 7/1/23 **616,435.56**

Revenue

Transfers In	149,903.00
Total Revenue	152,506.80

Expenses

Payroll 48,983.96

The Recreation Program Manager who administers the recreation program is funded as a ½ FTE from two funds, OHV, and the endowment fund.

Operating Expenses 23,192.04

Travel expenses including airfare, lodging, fuel, vehicle rental and meals, for meetings and projects around the state. Purchases supporting program activities and functions including field supplies and purchases for projects. Operating expenses were higher this year due to having a seasonal on staff.

Pend Oreille: Hayes Gulch 4,581.31

Following timber harvest operations, the trail system is being restored with the help of volunteers. The trail system restoration efforts will continue through 2024. Buck and rail fencing was installed around the parking lot to direct recreationists to the trail and eliminate unwanted cross-country travel.

Mica: Cable Creek Mitigation 2,262.89

One mile of new single track was designed, laid out and constructed. Fencing between IDL and the Liberty Lake OHV Park was repaired.

St. Joe 27,082.00

A contractor was hired to complete a GIS on the ground inventory of recreation trail and camping opportunities in the area. This inventory developed a baseline of information to begin developing a recreation plan for the area.

Southwest: Steamboat Project 1,116.57

A road grader was contracted to repair potholes on the Pine Creek Road into Steamboat Trailhead. Trail sign decals and trail signs were replaced as an ongoing project to upgrade navigation aids on the Thorn Creek and Danskin trail systems.

East Idaho: Kelly Canyon Project 10,904.79

Three miles of ATV trail was laid out for rerouting that will be constructed in FY 2024. 3.8 miles of a new single-track trail named Cranky Cowboy was designed, laid out and constructed. The new trail construction included ride over cattle guards to eliminate the need for recreationists to open gates, while also keeping cattle in their allotments. Plans for a new parking lot/ cattle pen was developed to be constructed in FY 2024. A new kiosk was constructed and installed at the proposed parking lot, to provide a location to post area guidelines and a map identifying recreation opportunities in the area. An excavator and brush hog were rented to assist with trail work and unauthorized route removal in the area.

Security Patrols 29,261.41

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	5,044.50
Pend Oreille Patrol	6,500.00
Mica Patrol	10,023.67
Ponderosa Patrol	3,949.83
Payette Patrol	3,743.41

Recreation Program:

The recreation program added a seasonal employee to assist with field work at the end of FY2023. The program is exploring new ways to get more work on the ground and improve recreation access.

Total Expense	147,384.97
Net Increase / (Decrease)	5,121.83
Ending Cash Balance 6/30/23	577,010.39