

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Fund Annual Report

<u>Idaho Code 67-7126(4)</u> 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.

FY24 OHV Fund

Beginning Cash Balance 7/1/23 \$577,010.39

Revenue

Transfers In \$173,813.00 Total Revenue \$176,148.04

Expenses

Payroll \$ 67,575.25

The Recreation Program Manager who administers the recreation program is funded as a ½ FTE from two funds, OHV, and the endowment fund. A seasonal employee was hired and funded out of the OHV fund to help complete OHV related projects.

Operating Expenses \$ 32,274.80

Travel expenses include 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 are higher this year due to having a seasonal on staff.

Pend Oreille: Hayes Gulch and Ruby Creek \$ 19,003.83

Following timber harvest operations at Hayes Gulch, the trail system was restored with the help of volunteers, Idaho Parks and Recreation and a contractor. Buck and rail fencing was installed around the parking lot to direct recreationists and eliminate unwanted cross-country travel. A gate was replaced in the Ruby Creek block after damage to the prior gate rendered it unusable.

Southwest: Thorn Creek and Case Creek \$ 7,055.95

To help guide the public, two new kiosks were installed, one in the Thorn Creek Block and the other in the Case Creek Block. The Thorn Creek Block trail system sign project is completed, and all of the designated trails are now signed. With the help of Idaho Parks and Recreation trail dozer program, eight miles of trail work on 50" or less trail was completed on the Case Creek Block. Of the eight miles maintained, 2.5 miles were rerouted, and 5.5 miles were resurfaced and water control added.

East Idaho: Kelly Canyon Project \$ 25,069.84

A contractor was hired to construct a new parking lot at Luthy Corral Trailhead. The parking lot included buck and rail fence with closeable entries to allow the parking lot to be used as a corral. The fencing was installed using volunteer efforts. The new trail construction included 2.3 miles of 50" or less trail reroutes. The old trails were reclaimed after the reroutes were complete. A new bottomless culvert was installed to replace a failed one on a popular ATV trail.

Security Patrols

\$ 19,698.37

The security patrol contractors and Idaho Department of Fish & Game monitored recreation use on endowment lands and enforced department recreation policy. They interacted with the recreating public to provide education on access and land management. 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.

Security Patrol details

Total	\$ 19,698.37
Payette Patrol	\$ 2,536.80
Ponderosa Patrol	\$ 2,519.55
Mica Patrol	\$ 10,368.53
Pend Oreille Patrol	\$ 4,273.49

Total Expense \$171,412.74 Net Increase / (Decrease) \$ 2,508.99

Ending Cash Balance 6/30/24 \$581,745.69