

IDAHO RANGELAND FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATIONS 2025

As of 2025, over 700 volunteer wildland firefighters have been trained by agency fire managers. These volunteers provide an important resource not only for their own land and assets, but also assist wildland fire managers protecting public lands.

The ten RFPAs combined protect 1.9 million acres of private rangeland that was previously unprotected, as well as providing secondary protection on 7.4 million acres of federal and state land.

Discussions have continued with interested parties in the Fort Hall area for a new RFPA. The current expectation would be for a start date in 2026 or 2027.

2024 FIRE SEASON REVIEW

2024 was a very busy fire season for the RFPAs. 80 total fire responses with an estimated 1,297 member hours were reported. This was almost three times the total from the previous season.

2025 FIRE SEASON PREPAREDNESS

Almost 400 RFPA members attended in-person Fireline Refresher Training including 96 new members that attended Basic Wildland Fire classes.

This year, the Governor's Office of Species Conservation purchased Personal Protective Equipment for 47 of the new members. The Camas Creek RFPA also acquired a Type 6 engine that was donated by a local volunteer fire department. This engine will allow the RFPA to provide more strategic coverage in their protection area.

Idaho RFPAs at a Glance

RFPA	Established	Members ¹	Acres	Private	Federal ²	State ³	'24 Fires
Black Canyon	2013	35	185,384	108,555	61,111	15,719	5
Camas Creek	2016	36	1,494,608	363,005	1,019,277	112,327	3
Henry's Creek	2017	20	914,696	286,775	571,374	56,547	5
Mountain Home	2012	29	964,131	300,091	564,138	98,174	17
Notch Butte	2016	12	341,170	74,535	247,745	18,890	1
Owyhee	2013	36	1,370,873	254,175	972,268	144,430	11
Saylor Creek	2013	84	2,222,204	131,128	1,964,913	126,162	15
Shoshone Basin	2015	17	488,054	174,940	302,144	10,969	7
Three Creek	2013	64	1,120,203	114,599	951,243	54,362	11
Weiser River	2021	63	135,212	60,246	38,252	27,208	5
TOTALS		396	9,381,444	1,868,049	6,692,465	664,788	80

¹ Received Red Card for the 2025 fire season as of 05/28/2025. The Red Card identifies that annual training is current.

² Federal includes Military, NPS, BOR, BIA, DOE, BLM and USFS ownership.

³ State includes Endowment, State F&G, State Parks, and State other.