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Districts are a subdivision of state government led by locally elected supervisors that serve voluntarily to assist private landowners with conservation & wise use of natural resources.

1st Place-N Idaho STEM



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Team Members: Miranda Ripley-Team Captain, Kara Grossman, Tori Bauer, Colton Burnside, Jaren Knopp
Advisors: Michelle Carlson

2nd Place-Gooding #1



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Team Members: Luke McLaughlin- Team Captain, Lilliana Bentzinger, Samuel Kearl, Trysta McClain, Jacelyn Butler
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3rd Place -Gooding #2



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Team Members: Logan Valdez-Team Captain, Carlos Morales, Mercedes Valdez, Cade Eilers, Emma Pope, Avery Seal-Alternate
Advisors: Becky Freidberg and Tom Woodland

4th Place-Pocatello



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Team Members: Zoe Doerr-Team Captain, Lucy Kmetz, Sarah Proctor, Sofia Velasco, Anesa Bills, Maddox Durham-Alternate
Advisor: Eric Pankau

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5th Place-Idaho City



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Team Members: Jayden Hofer Team Captain,
Carter Elliott, Rafe Grant, Kate Baugh, Mary
Plumlee, Ruari Mulrey-Alternate
Advisors: Stacey Hofer, Jon hegge

Station Winners

Aquatics-
N Idaho STEM

Forestry-
Pocatello

Wildlife-
Pocatello

Soils-
Gooding #1

Current Issue-
N Idaho STEM

Oral Presentations-
Gooding #1 and N
Idaho STEM

We are so grateful for your efforts and are so proud of all you accomplished at this years event! We cant wait to see you again next year!

Thank you to Living Waters Ranch in Challis for doing such a fabulous job at hosting!



Aquatics Presenters

Matt Schenk with Idaho DEQ and Aaron Harnsberger



Soils Presenters

Brett Kannerberg and Nicholas Kozlowski



Wildlife Presenter
Tom Schrempp

Aquatics Matt Schenk is a 4th generation Idahoan from Burley Idaho. He received Associates degrees in Geology, Natural Science, Ag Business and Ag Science from the College of Southern Idaho, and His Bachelors in Earth and Environmental Systems followed by a Masters in Biology with Stream Ecology Focus from Idaho State University. Matt spends most of his spare time outdoors enjoying the many geological, biological, and hydrological features of the Great State of Idaho and enjoys fishing, hiking, hunting, rockhounding and just generally being outside. Currently, Matt works as a Surface Water Quality Analyst at the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality out of the Pocatello Office where he spends his summers sampling local lakes and streams to understand trends in water quality over time and inform Total Maximum Daily Load development among a myriad of other water quality related activities. Aaron Harnsberger grew up in McCammon, Idaho and received his BS and MS degrees in Biology from Idaho State University. He was previously a wastewater laboratory technician for a water quality lab conducting regulatory analyses, and an IPDES Compliance Officer for Idaho DEQ. He is now the regional TMDL writer at the Pocatello Regional Office of Idaho DEQ.

Soils Nick is a Soil scientist with the USDA-NRCS in Idaho Falls. He grew up in Rhode Island and received his education from the University of RI, competing nationally with the URI soil judging team. Since the start of his career in Idaho, Nick has mapped soils across Caribou County, and the Caribou, Challis, and Sawtooth National Forests. He is an active volunteer at the Happyville Community Farm in Idaho Falls where he can be found giving soil educational presentations to the public. In his free time, Nick enjoys mountain biking, trail running, and traveling around the world.

Brett is a Soil Scientist with the US Forest Service on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest in Idaho Falls, ID. After being raised in the lush fields of Wisconsin and studying soils and land management at the University of Wisconsin- Stevens Point he pursued a career managing public lands in the West. With the Forest Service, any given week can consist of monitoring impacts of timber sales, implementing stream and watershed restoration, air quality monitoring, phosphate mine reclamation and the Burned Area Emergency Response program- and that barely scratches the surface. While looking forward to his weeks more than his weekends Brett can be found photographing the countryside, hiking or catching up with friends over a campfire when he isn't working on the forest.

Wildlife Tom was born and raised in north Idaho where I spent most of my childhood building tree forts and fishing local trout streams. After high school I attended the University of Idaho in Moscow where I received a BS and MS degree in wildlife sciences. I began my career with Idaho Department of Fish and Game in 2009 as a wildlife technician in the Clearwater Region. In 2020, I accepted a regional wildlife biologist in the Salmon Region and was quickly captivated by the country, wildlife, and people. Outside of work I enjoy woodworking and all manner of outdoor activities like hunting, fishing, and camping.

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Forestry Presenters
Randy Brooks,
University of Idaho
And
Sharon Bradley,
Idaho Forest Service

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Forestry Dr. Randy Brooks is the Extension Forestry Specialist for the University of Idaho serving landowners statewide. He also serves as program lead for the Forest Resources program where he is responsible for curriculum and program assessment. Randy served as interim department head for Forest, Rangelands, and Fire Sciences from 2015-2018. He began his career with the University of Idaho in 1991, and in 2011 became the Extension Forestry Specialist and Professor of Forestry. Randy teaches FOR 102, Introduction to Forest Management, and NR 101, Introduction to Natural Resources. Randy is a member of the Society of American Foresters, Association for Fire Ecology, and the Association of Natural Resource Professionals. Randy also directs and teaches at the UI Natural Resources Camp held each June at the Central Idaho 4-H Camp north of Ketchum.

Sharon Bradley, Forest Service (Retired): Sharon attended the University of Idaho where she received her degree in Forest Resource Management. She has worked for the Caribou National Forest, Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station in Portland, the Palisades Ranger District in Targhee, and at the Salmon-Challis National Forest. She retired after 33 years but has continued to stay involved in youth education.

Current Issue Courtney Cosdon is a soil health instructor for University of Idaho Extension and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), based in Boise. She develops and delivers soil education programs for Idahoans of all ages to help improve soil health. She works to foster collaboration between farmers/producers and soil health professionals. She also creates and fills the gaps in regionally relevant soil health resources. In her free time, you can find her growing veggies and flowers in her garden, playing volleyball or spending time with her husband and dogs.

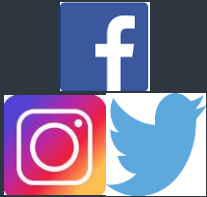
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Courtney Cosdon

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