



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

SOUTHWEST REGION

**VOLUNTEER/RESERVIST
PROJECT SCHEDULE**

≈ 2008 ≈

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Project: **NEST BOX MAINTENANCE**
What: Maintain nest boxes along the Boise, Snake and Payette Rivers
Where: MK Nature Center, Joplin Rd., Barber Park, Swan Falls, Montour, Payette River, Crane Falls and Ted Trueblood Wildlife Management Area.
When: January 19 & 26 and February 2, 9 & 16, 2008.
Logistics: Tools, transportation provided.
People: Two to eight each day.

Project: **BIG GAME WINTER RANGE RESTORATION**
What: Plant bitterbrush and sagebrush seedlings to restore native upland habitats that burned during summer wildfires on big game winter range.
Where: Boise River Wildlife Management Area (WMA) east of Boise.
When: March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 and April 5, 2008.
Logistics: Tools, transportation provided.
People: Fifty to 100 each day.

Project: **SNAKE RIVER CLEAN-UP**
What: Pick up trash left by thoughtless people.
Where: Two stretches of the river: Map Rock – Marsing and Swan Falls Dam.
When: Two days in late March or early April, 2008.
Logistics: Trash bags, some transportation provided. Wear gloves!
People: Fifteen to twenty.

Project: **RIPARIAN HABITAT RESTORATION**

What: Spring phase of Idaho Anadromous Outreach, an ambitious ongoing project to restore native riparian habitats along Idaho rivers and streams that support anadromous fish. Funding for the project work is provided by private and government agencies, including a grant from the NOAA Restoration Center. Please join us and other awesome volunteers to help plant native shrubs and trees.

Where: Little Salmon River, its tributaries Four Mile and Round Valley creeks.

When: Multiple dates which are subject to change:

April: 19, 26, 2008.

May: 3, 10, 17, 31 2008.

June: 7, 14, 21, 2008.

Logistics: Tools, transportation provided. Expect extra long days.

People: Fifteen to twenty each day.

Project: **Andrus Wma Fence Repair**

What: Repair fence.

Where: Andrus WMA near Brownlee Reservoir.

When: April 26 & 27, 2008.

Logistics: Tools, transportation, bunkhouse, dinner, and breakfast provided.

People: Ten to twelve.

Project: **LEROY BRESHEARS KIDS FISHING DAY**

What: Introduce kids to fishing.

Where: Marsing Pond.

When: May 2008; to be announced.

Logistics: Fishing equipment provided.

People: Ten to fifteen

Project: **FREE FISHING DAY**

What: Introduce kids to fishing.

Where: Ponds throughout the Southwest Region.

When: June 7, 2008.

Logistics: Fishing equipment provided.

People: Five to six at each fishing clinic.

Project: **BITTERBRUSH SEED COLLECTION**

What: Collect bitterbrush seed for habitat restoration.

Where: Boise River Wildlife Management Area.

When: June 28, 2008. Collection depends on seed ripeness.

Logistics: Transportation, tools provided.

People: Fifteen to twenty.

Project: **NATIVE SEED COLLECTION**
What: Collect native seed for IDFG's Idaho Conservation Data Center.
Where: Boise Mountains, Fairfield and Stanley areas.
When: Weekdays in July and August as the seed ripens; possibly an overnight trip.
Logistics: Transportation, tools provided. Call for dates.
People: Two to five each day.

Project: **RIPARIAN WATERING**
What: Sound like an oxymoron? We water plants that were planted this spring along high banks to give the new plants and extra drink during Idaho's hot and dry summers.
Where: Little Salmon River, Fourmile Creek and Round Valley Creek near New Meadows.
When: Weekdays in July and August.
Logistics: Buckets, pumps and transportation provided.
People: Five + each day.

Project: **IDAHO BIRD OBSERVATORY**
What: Get involved in this hands-on wildlife experience. The IBO is a cooperative, non-profit research and education organization that conducts long-term monitoring of western migratory landbird populations and promotes public education, involvement and wildlife viewing. Help with songbird and raptor trapping and data collection. The IBO asks that individuals help on three different days due to the training that the project requires.
Where: Boise foothills, Lucky and Boise Peaks.
When: August-October, 2007. Seven days a week.
Logistics: Four wheel drive vehicle necessary to negotiate the road to Lucky Peak - transportation possible although seldom available.
People: One to three seven days/week. Call for more information.

Project: **IDAHO SALMON AND STEELHEAD DAYS**
What: The annual educational event celebrating Idaho's anadromous fishery resource. Escort groups to activities, assist kids in finding aquatic insects in the Boise River and help kids make gyotaku fish art. Help with fish art and serve food at the salmon barbecue on Thursday evening.
Where: All events are held at the Idaho Fish & Game at 600 S. Walnut St., Boise.
When: September 2008.
Logistics: Call Brenda Beckley 287-2901 or contact her at bbeckley@idfg.state.id.us
People: Dozens!

Project: **BOISE RIVER SWEEP**
What: Clean up trash along river left by thoughtless people.
Where: Boise River, Star Bridge to confluence with the Snake.
When: September 2008.
Logistics: Transportation, tools provided.
People: Fifteen to twenty.

Project: **RIPARIAN RESTORATION**
What: Construct willow weavings to armor eroding banks along the Little Salmon River and Round Valley Creek.
Where: Little Salmon River near New Meadows.
When: October 4, 11, 18, 25, 2008.
Logistics: Transportation, tools provided, extra long days.
People: Ten to Fifteen each day.

Project: **WILDLIFE CHECK STATIONS**
What: Assist Wildlife personnel at check stations during hunting season.
Where: Various check-in locations in southwest Idaho.
When: Most weekends in October and early November, 2008.
Logistics: Transportation available.
People: Five each day.

Project: **ROSE HIP COLLECTION**
What: Collect wild rose hips to be grown for habitat restoration projects.
Where: Boise Foothills.
When: November 1, 2008.
Logistics: Transportation, tools provided.
People: Ten to fifteen.

Project: **SAGEBRUSH SEED COLLECTION**
What: Collect sagebrush seed for habitat restoration of burned areas. Sagebrush is slowly disappearing throughout the west due to invasion of noxious weeds and a higher fire return rate than historically normal. The seeds will be grown and then planted on burned areas in subsequent years. Sagebrush provides nesting habitat for many birds as well as browse for deer in the winter and cover for all kinds of wildlife. It also is deep rooted and helps prevent erosion and mudslides in disturbed areas.
Where: Boise River Wildlife Management Area.
When: November 15 & 29; December 6 & 13, 2008.
Logistics: Transportation, tools provided.
People: Twenty to fifty.

Project: **MK NATURE CENTER**

What: The MK Nature Center offers a glimpse of Idaho's landscapes and abundant wildlife – right in the middle of Boise. Volunteer positions include teacher – interpreter, host, gardener, and more. Special events include Idaho Salmon and Steelhead Days and International Migratory Bird Day.

Where: MK Nature Center

When: Year around.

Logistics: Training provided. Call Brenda Beckley at 287-2901.

People: Depends upon specific projects/needs.

Project: **HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS**

What: Teach hunter education.

Where: Southwest Idaho.

When: Year around.

Logistics: Call Don Sturtevant at 327-7159.

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