



IDAHO BUSINESS FOR
THE OUTDOORS

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Dear Representative Raybould,

Last year the Idaho legislature made a historic investment in Idaho's Parks and Outdoors by investing \$100 million dollars but there is still work to be done. Idaho Business for the Outdoors and the members we represent support the \$20 million for Idaho State Parks and the Outdoor Recreation Fund. This funding is critical for continuing to support community-led projects, and enhancing Idaho's outdoors and recreational sites. This one-time funding will be critical to address maintenance, expansion, and continuing to improve our state parks.

As a nonpartisan, business member-based organization, Idaho Business for the Outdoors supports and advocates for the valuable role our outdoors and public lands play in sustaining Idaho's state economy, our public health, and a strong and diverse business community. We believe your proposed budget directs critical funds and resources to our state parks and outdoors.

As you know, our state parks, trails, forests and waters are significant economic drivers for our urban and rural communities in Idaho. It is clear that there is a continuing need for employees, maintenance and infrastructure to support these valuable resources.

Businesses leverage the quality of life represented by Idaho's outdoors in their marketing and recruitment, individuals and families love the unrivaled recreation opportunities, and our health care systems advocate for the health benefits of time outside. Our business members believe a healthy, sustainable economy goes hand in hand with access to state parks, public lands and the outdoors. Please share our support for your proposed budget as you work with the legislature this legislative season.

Best Regards,

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