

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

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Final Performance Report



Statewide Hunter Education, Enhanced

July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019

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State: Idaho

Grant Award Number: F16AF00887 Amendment 2

Grant name: ID – Statewide Hunter education, Enhanced

Report Period: July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

Report due date: September 28, 2019

Location of work: Statewide

1. Approach:

Statewide supervision, administration and coordination of hunter education, bowhunter education, and trapper education programs to oversee program outcomes, program standardization, effective budget management, and improved program communications to Idaho's citizens. This includes oversight of policies and procedures, staff training and curriculum. Event management software and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) hunter education database is utilized to improve customer service and program outcomes.

The Hunter Education Manager will:

- Develop and distribute to 1,000 instructors and staff teaching aids, curriculum, student supplies, lesson plans and field supplies to teach 700 courses by June 30, 2019.
- Maintain and update the hunter education webpages and increase messaging on social media by June 3, 2019.
- 15,000 students will certify in hunter education, bowhunter education, trapper education and wolf trapper education by June 30, 2019.
- Idaho will maintain high safety hunting standards through the grant period.
- Attend the 2019 International Hunter Education Conference in Georgia.
- Administer range grant program that provides the public safe shooting opportunities to learn, practice and improve shooting skills.

2. Expected Results

Hunter Education Manager (HEM) will administer and coordinate hunter education, bowhunter education and trapper education for statewide implementation.

This includes:

- Fewer hunting accidents.
- New hunters demonstrate knowledge of regulations, wildlife conservation and ethics.
- Increased participation in hunting after courses and sequential years.
- Increase customer service with highly trained volunteer instructors and course availability.

3. Describe how objectives were met.

Objective Statement: Supervision, administrative support, and guidance to implement statewide hunter/trapper/bowhunter education programs by 30 June 2019.

- Maintained the Hunter Education program web pages and upgraded event management software on website for class postings, student registration, and student and instructor record and payment management.

- Printed statewide course student manuals and instructor training and policy manuals.
- Administrator attended the IHEA conference and the region 9 Federal Coordinators conference in Alabama.
- Administrator conducted headquarters staff meetings, region conference calls/visits and annual hunter education staff planning meeting to develop work plans to meet program objectives.
- Administered range grant program to Idaho public ranges.
- Planned, purchased/developed and distributed student and instructor supplies for 692 courses and 14,580 students.
- Compiled reports and review program results by utilizing instructor/student/class reports and conducted surveys.

Course Type	Student Count	Class Count
Hunter Education Instructor-led	3,386	210
Hunter Education Field Day (Post Online Course)	3,614	249
Hunter & Bowhunter Combination Instructor-led	2,193	145
Bowhunter Online Course	3,666	0
Bowhunter Instructor-led	54	8
Trapper Education	1,203	60
Wolf Trapper Education	464	20
TOTALS	14,580	692

4. Discuss differences between work anticipated in grant proposal and grant agreement and that actually carried out with Federal Aid grant funds.

None

5. List any publications or in-house reports resulting from this work.

IDFG Hunter Education Database

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FEDERAL AID IN WILDLIFE RESTORATION

The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Program consists of funds from a 10% to 11% manufacturer's excise tax collected from the sale of handguns, sporting rifles, shotguns, ammunition, and archery equipment. The Federal Aid program then allots the funds back to states through a formula based on each state's geographic area and the number of paid hunting license holders in the state. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game uses the funds to help restore, conserve, manage, and enhance wild birds and mammals for the public benefit. These funds are also used to educate hunters to develop the skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary to be responsible, ethical hunters. Seventy-five percent of the funds for this project are from Federal Aid. The other 25% comes from license-generated funds.

