

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

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Project W-168-C-24

Annual Performance Report



WILDLIFE RESTORATION COORDINATION

Study I, Job 1

July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

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**FEDERAL AID IN WILDLIFE RESTORATION
ANNUAL PROJECT PERFORMANCE REPORT**

1. State: Idaho

Grant number: W-168-C

Segment number: 24

Grant name: Wildlife Restoration Coordination

2. Report Period: July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

Report due date: September 28, 2007

3. Location of work: Statewide.

4. Costs: Budgeted funds and actual expenditures do not include overhead costs.

Source	Budget
Federal: P-R	52,837
State: Match	17,613
Total Project	70,450

5. Objective(s):

1. Coordinate the activities of the Pittman-Robertson Program in Idaho.
2. Coordinate the activities of the Pittman-Robertson Program with the other activities of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.
3. Provide a liaison between the Department and the Division of Federal Aid.

6. If the work in this grant was part of a larger undertaking with other components and funding, present a brief overview of the larger activity and the role of this project.

N/A

7. Describe how the objectives were met.

1. *Coordinate the activities of the Pittman-Robertson Program in Idaho.*
 - Compiled and edited annual federal aid reports for projects W-160-R, W-168-C, W-170-R, W-173-D, W-179-R, W-159-HS, and W-180-E.

- Participated in statewide review of wildlife research objectives and planning (W-160-R) for 2006-2011.
 - Steered discussions of Wildlife Health Laboratory (W-179-R) planning for 2006-2011.
 - Traveled statewide to review and discuss Pittman-Robertson programs with Regional personnel during Regional coordination and work planning meetings, July 2006 and January/February 2007.
 - Met with statewide Wildlife Managers and Biologists to discuss bighorn sheep program direction and federal assistance in bighorn restoration in May 2007.
2. *Coordinate the activities of the Pittman-Robertson Program with the other activities of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.*
- Participated in interagency site examination of Teton River with Bureau of Reclamation personnel in July 2007, discussing potential for use of Pittman-Robertson funds to aid in bighorn sheep restoration to this historic habitat.
 - Attended statewide In-Service Training School with all other Department personnel in May 2007; discussed federal assistance program, anticipated Idaho share of receipts in 2009, and pertinent regulations with wildlife personnel.
 - Discussed federal aid issues with personnel of other state wildlife management agencies at the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies annual meeting in Bismarck, North Dakota, in July 2006; the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies annual meeting in September 2006; and the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources meeting in Portland, Oregon, in March 2007.
3. *Provide a liaison between the Department and the Division of Federal Aid.*
- Attended Federal Aid Coordinator’s meeting in Homer, Alaska, in August 2006.
 - Hosted visit by Dan Edwards and Barbara Behan to Idaho Fish and Game Headquarters and to Fort Boise Wildlife Management Area in April 2007.
 - Identified potential to use volunteer services as “in-kind” match for federal assistance funds. Explored this opportunity with Federal Assistance personnel and implemented it under project W-173-D in FY 2008.
- 8. Discuss differences between work anticipated in grant proposal and grant agreement, and that actually carried out with Federal Aid grant funds.**

N/A

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

W-160-R-33 Completion Reports (Subproject 31-Elk Ecology, Subproject 35-Mule Deer Ecology, Subproject 47-Upland Game Bird Ecology, Subproject 51-SE Mule Deer Ecology, Subproject 53-Sage-grouse Ecology, Subproject X-Hells Canyon Bighorn Sheep)

W-168-C-23 (Wildlife Restoration Coordination)

W-170-R 30 (SI-J1-Elk, SI-J2-Mule Deer, SI-J3-White-tailed Deer, SI-J4-Bighorn Sheep, SI-J5-Mountain Goat, SI-J6-Moose, SI-J7-Pronghorn, SI-J8-Mountain Lion, SI-

J9-Bear, SII-J1-Upland Game, SII-J2-Waterfowl Production and Summer Banding, SII-J3-Waterfowl Winter, SII-J4-Trapping & Transplanting, SIII-J1-Furbearer, SIV-J1-Game Harvest)

W-173-D-22 (Wildlife Habitat Management)

W-179-R-5 (Wildlife Health Laboratory)

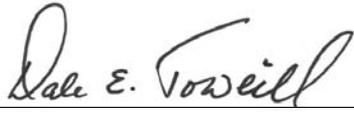
W-159-HS-35 (Hunter Education Program)

W-180-E-1 (Hunter Education Program Enhancement)

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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.

