

## Back Country Horseman of Idaho Education report

Respectfully submitted by Marybeth Conger, BCHI Education Chair September 17, 2016

### Back Country Horseman of Idaho (BCHI) Leave No Trace (LNT) Master Educator Training Expectations

BCHI LNT Master Educators should successfully complete a minimum of 2 trainings and 1 public outreach with local land agencies annually, for a minimum duration of five years. BCHI does encourage LNT Master Educators to train beyond this timeframe, to include completion of LNT/Education refreshers courses as appropriate.

Examples of these annual trainings would be the LNT Train the Trainer session, and/or LNT awareness workshops. The public outreach will create and foster collaborative Leave No Trace Education trainings with these agencies.

BCHI will continue to support statewide education efforts. Mileage should be paid by BCHI at the prevailing BCHI rate, if the BCHI Education chair or other designee, requests that a BCHI Master Educator travel and conduct training other than to their chapter.

### BCHI Educators List

The current list of BCHI LNT Master Educators and Trainers is being updated. So far 3 of 16 chapters have provided this information. The BCHI Education chair should attend the **Leave No Trace (Stock) Master Educator** course in 2017.

This course is designed to teach participants the principles of Leave No Trace (LNT) as it applies to stock users and packers. Students learn “hands on” teaching methods and techniques for teaching outdoor ethics to diverse audiences. Graduates are expected to share the knowledge gained in this course with others, in a “train-the-trainer” format or “LNT awareness workshop”. All material and information presented is based on the latest wildland recreation research. The course is taught by Casey Burns, Leave No Trace Master Educator. He is assisted by other Master Level Instructors. Class size is limited to twelve students. This course is sanctioned by the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics and students will receive a “Master Educator” certificate. This course is taught annually at Nine mile Ranger Station, Hudson, Montana. 2016 cost was \$700.00.

### BCHI Education/Expansion Video

This is in progress. Plan to have something to view in the near future. May need to purchase use of music for appx cost of \$100.00.

## BCHI Education Motorized Posters

Robbin plans to create in 2017, at least one poster for BCHI directed toward motorized users for inclusion on our website.

*\* A big thanks to Robbin, who continues to support BCHI education efforts even though he has moved.*

## BCHI website updated with relevant Education materials

Plan to start with the LNT section after completing the Nine Mile training. Every BCHI chapter should submit electronic education materials to the BCHI Education chair for inclusion.

## BCHA Education Chair says... "Thanks for the great response from Idaho"

Mack Long (BCHA Education chair) asked that BCHI provide some education information to BCHA. This was completed in March 2016 and a copy emailed to BCHI for historical. Mack compiled all the state responses to establish a baseline, and made them available at the last National Board meeting. (NBM). I have emailed Mack and asked if he could share electronic copies.

## BCHI EC and CEC Job descriptions

Completed 2016 and are available to all BCHI members.