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Hello, from the SCNF Partnership Team!

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- In this newsletter, you'll find an update on recent events, upcoming training opportunities, and funding resources we hope you'll take advantage of.
- We encourage you to share photos of your time on the Forest, and tag Salmon-Challis National Forest when possible!
- Don't forget the Partnership Office is here for you as another busy season begins. Contact Gina or Becca with any questions.



Hands on the Land Brings Experiential Education to Salmon Youth

Earlier this month, local 7th and 8th graders in Salmon enjoyed a day outdoors with the Hands on the Land program. 7th graders traveled to Morgan Bar Campground where they learned about Leave No Trace, fire ecology, and native wildlife and plants. 8th graders enjoyed different recreational opportunities with experienced volunteers on Discovery Hill trails.

This event was made possible thanks to the hard work of our partners at Salmon Valley Stewardship, plus the support of additional partners including Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the Salmon-Challis National Forest Fire Prevention office, and local volunteers.

Resources

We encourage you to explore and utilize the following resources and opportunities:

- NFF Matching Awards Program The National Forest Foundation funding opportunity is an excellent opportunity to support in-person community engagement and completion of appropriate stewardship activities. <u>Click here for</u> <u>more information</u>. <u>Deadline June 7th</u>.
- Bear Aware and Aerosol Training (June 7) There will be multiple offerings of Bear Aware and Aerosol training on June 7th at the Sacajawea Center in Salmon. This event is free to attend and open to all interested individuals. Sessions take place 9-11am and 7-9pm for interested partners. More information can be found here.
- Plant ID Class (June 1) Hosted by the Salmon-Challis NF Botany, Invasive Species, and Pollinators program, this class covers basic plant ID and noxious weed ID. Course is free and open to partners! 9am-3pm at the Nancy Cummings Education Center, 76 Hot Springs Ranch Rd, Carmen, ID. RSVP to Katie Baumann: katherine.baumann@usda.gov.
- **Grants Calendar** We hope you'll continue to utilize our <u>grants calendar</u> and welcome your feedback to make it a more valuable resource.

