

Salmon-Challis National Forest Partnerships Newsletter



The Community Bear Aware Education event held at the SCNF Supervisor's Office.

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Collaboration in Bear Aware Safety Education

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In partnership with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and Salmon Valley Stewardship, a community Bear Aware education event was held at the Salmon-Challis National Forest Supervisor's Office in early May. Members of the public enjoyed a free educational event and were given an opportunity to deploy inert spray at IDFG's new electronic charging bear - a very cool opportunity for both adults and kids!

Thanks to the Upper Snake IDFG office for making the drive to Salmon with their Bear Aware trailer for this fun event, and to our partners at Salmon Valley Stewardship for providing free inert spray for the public's use and providing great hands-on youth activities.



Smokey Bear face masks were a big hit with the younger visitors of the community Bear Aware event.

Pre-Season Partner Meeting

Thanks to those who were able to attend our May 4th Pre-Season Meeting before the busy field season ramps up – we know May is a full time for people’s schedules. Meeting notes can be found in our [SCNF External Partner Folder](#).



A Student Conservation Association crew on the Idaho Centennial Trail during the 2023 field season.

Upcoming Trainings and Events

Contact Becca Aceto for more information or to sign up for a training:

- **National Trails Day (June 1)** – If you’re planning a National Trails Day volunteer event, we’re happy to share your opportunity on the SCNF website or Facebook page. Reach out to Becca if interested.
- **Noxious Weed ID Class (June 4)** – Free class for Forest Service staff and partners on noxious weed identification. This is a fun and hands-on training, contact Katie Baumann for more information: Katherine.baumann@usda.gov.
- **First Aid/CPR (June 4)** – All-day training at the SCNF Supervisor’s Office. Training begins at 8:30am.

Resources

- [SCNF Grants Calendar](#) – Updated to reflect current funding opportunities and deadlines.
- [SCNF External Partner Folder](#) – We’ve added additional safety resources, 2024 Risk Assessments, and more.
- **IDPR OHV Media Campaign** - Plan ahead: <https://fb.watch/rDwK8e4xKQ/>
Share the trails: <https://fb.watch/rDwP4F1BrX/>
Laws: <https://fb.watch/rDwQ1Z5yG6/>



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