



**IDAHO SOIL & WATER  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA**

Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission  
January 15, 2018, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. MT

Location: Idaho Water Center, 322 E Front St, Suite 560, Conference Room, Boise  
**TELECONFERENCE # 1-877-820-7831 Passcode: 922837**

The Commission will occasionally convene in Executive Session, pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1).  
Executive Session is closed to the public.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COMPLIANCE**

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Members of the public may address any item on the Agenda during consideration of that item. Those wishing to comment on any agenda item are requested to so indicate on the sign-in sheet in advance. Copies of agenda items, staff reports and/or written documentation relating to items of business on the agenda are on file in the office of the Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission in Boise. Upon request, copies can be emailed and will also be available for review at the meeting.

	<b>1.</b>	<b>WELCOME, SELF-INTRODUCTIONS, AND ROLL CALL</b>	Chairman Wright
	<b>2.</b>	<b>AGENDA REVIEW</b> <i>The Agenda may be amended after the start of the meeting upon a motion that states the reason for the amendment and the good faith reason the item was not included in the original agenda.</i>	Chairman Wright
	<b>3.</b>	<b>PARTNER REPORTS</b>	
	<b>4.</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	
*#	a.	Administrator's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint Board Discussion with Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts Board               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Talking Points &amp; Scheduling for Washington DC Joint Board Legislative and Federal Agency Briefings, March 3-8, 2018</li> <li>○ Schedule Summer Joint Board Meeting</li> <li>○ Spring Division Meetings Schedule</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Idaho Ag Summit, February 19-20, 2018</li> <li>• Legislative Presentations</li> <li>• FY 2018 Commission Meeting Schedule</li> </ul> ACTION: Authorize: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chairman Wright and Administrator Murrison to travel out of state to participate in Joint Board Legislative Briefings in Washington, DC, and</li> <li>2. Payment of related travel expenses.</li> </ol>	Murrison

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ACTION: Staff recommended action for Commission consideration

*	b.	Financial Report 1. December 31, 2017 ACTION: Approve	Yadon
	c.	Open Meeting Law Training ACTION: For information only	Chapple Knowlton
	<b>5.</b>	<b>PROGRAMS</b>	
#	a.	District Support Services Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mid-Year Update on FY 2017 Technical Assistance Hours Utilized/Deliverables Accomplished</li> <li>FY 2017 Capacity Building Funding Report</li> </ul> ACTION: For information only	Trefz
	<b>6.</b>	<b>OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
	a.	Reports ACTION: For information only	Commissioners, Staff
	<b>7.</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b> <i>Executive Session is closed to the public. Under the relevant Idaho Code Section(s) noted below, any Board action will be taken publicly in open session directly following Executive Session.</i> ACTION: Move to enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(f) for the purpose of discussing pending litigation with legal counsel. Roll Call Vote.	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Owyhee County Case No. CV-2016-991 2</li> </ul> ACTION: For consideration and possible action outside of Executive Session	Chapple Knowlton
*	<b>8.</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION and ADJOURN</b> <i>The Commission will reconvene to take any action resulting from Item #7 Executive Session and to adjourn. The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2018 in Boise.</i>	

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Monday, January 15, 2018 Meeting Agenda

Date of Notice: January 5, 2018



**SOIL & WATER  
CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION**

H. Norman Wright  
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Vice Chairman

Leon Slichter  
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Commissioner

Cathy Roemer  
Commissioner

Teri Murrison  
Administrator

**MEMO**

**TO: CHAIRMAN WRIGHT AND COMMISSIONERS TREBESCH,  
SLICHTER, ROEMER, AND RADFORD**  
**FROM: TERI MURRISON, ADMINISTRATOR**  
**DATE: NOVEMBER 28, 2017**  
**RE: ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

JOINT BOARD DISCUSSION WITH IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS  
BOARD

The Board members of IASCD will be at your meeting to discuss the following items:

- Talking Points and Scheduling for Washington DC Joint Board Legislative and Federal Agency Briefings, March 3-8, 2018
- Schedule Summer Joint Board Meeting
- Spring Division Meetings Schedule

IDAHO AG SUMMIT, FEBRUARY 19-20, 2018

Attached is a copy of the registration information for the upcoming Larry Branen Idaho Ag Summit in Boise. Please contact Corrine Dalzell as soon as possible to ensure you are registered and have a room at the Red Lion. If we haven't heard from you by your meeting, we'll take a headcount then.

Your Board has scheduled a regular meeting for 1:00 pm on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February in the Commission office. After the meeting, Board members will attend the Ag Summit Strolling Supper (at the Boise Center downtown). The following day, February 20<sup>th</sup>, the Summit will run from 7:30 am – 4:30 pm MT (approx.). It will held at the Red Lion Downtown.

LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Legislative Session 2018 begins on Monday, January 8, 2018. The Governor will announce his FY 2019 Budget Recommendations that afternoon and staff will forward them to your Board and to partners. We will not schedule germane committee presentations until February.

We will attend a JFAC hearing to approve our FY 2017 Supplemental Appropriation authorizing receipt and expenditure of the National Association of Fish & Wildlife grant funds on January 10-11<sup>th</sup>. We will not speak to the supplemental request (since the Governor already approved this, DFM will speak and staff will answer questions, if any). Board attendance is not critical.

The Governor's FY 2019 Budget Recommendations for the Commission will be presented to JFAC on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 am. Chairman Wright has asked Commissioner Roemer to represent the Board at that hearing since he will be out of town. Benjamin Kelly, Steve Becker, and Kit Tillotson will also attend.

FY 2018 COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

Your scheduled meeting dates and locations are as follows:

<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Meeting Specifics, Location</b>	<b>Meeting Type</b>
February 19-20	ISWCC Regular Meeting, February 19, 1 pm MT (in conjunction with Ag Summit Strolling Supper that evening), February 20, 8 am MT Larry Brannen Ag Summit, Riverside Hotel	In person
March	No meeting anticipated due to Spring Division Meetings	----
April 12, 2018, 9 am MT	Regular Meeting, 322 E. Front Street, Suite 560, Boise	In person
May 9-11, location and time TBD	Tour, Regular Meeting, North Idaho Forestry Contest	In person
June 14, 10 am MT	Regular Meeting, 322 E. Front Street, Suite 560, Boise	In person

REQUESTED ACTION: Authorize:

1. Chairman Wright and Administrator to travel out of state to participate in Joint Board Legislative Briefings in Washington, DC, and
2. Payment of related travel expenses.

Attachments:

- Registration and agenda for 2018 Larry Brannen Ag Summit



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January 2018

TO: Idaho Ag Summit Former Participants  
Idaho Agriculture Commodity and Commodity Commissions

FR: Rick Waitley, Executive Director  
Leah Clark, Co-chairman  
Teri Murrison, Co-chairman

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## 2018 Idaho Ag Summit Leading Idaho Agriculture into the Future

Enclosed you will find a brochure for the 2018 Larry Branen Idaho Ag Summit. We hope you will take a moment to read through the brochure and learn more about this year's event. The planning committee has selected four major categories for the 2018 Summit based around this theme:

Leading Idaho Agriculture into the Future:

National Farm Policies

Moving Commodities to Market

What is Our Source of Labor?

Governor 2018

We hope you will help us spread the word to your boards, councils and commissions about this event.

Special activities will take place during the Summit:

- ♦ **Monday evening, February 19: (NOTE: This event has been relocated to the Boise Centre to allow more space)**
  - **Strolling Dinner with Idaho Legislators**
- ♦ **Tuesday, February 20: (NOTE: This event will be held at the Red Lion Downtowner)**
  - **The Pat Takasugi Leadership Award will be presented to an individual selected by Idaho's Potato Industry.**
  - **Mid-morning, you will have the opportunity to participate in a reception honoring the Governor Award Winners followed by Governor C. L. "Butch" Otter joining us for the annual Governor's Award luncheon and the presentation of the five awards for Excellence in Agriculture (all five recipients are listed in the brochure).**

The presenters at the Ag Summit will help to enlighten Summit participants on current challenges of leading Idaho agriculture into the future and how the industry can prepare for addressing these situations when they arise. We hope you will make an effort to join us for the 2018 event. If you have need of additional brochures, please be sure and contact our office by calling Lisa at 888-0988 or emailing Lisa at [lisa@amgidaho.com](mailto:lisa@amgidaho.com).

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# 2018 Ag Summit Schedule

as of December 2017

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19** (Boise Centre West)

**5:30P** All Idaho Strolling Supper with Idaho Legislators

**NEW LOCATION!**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20** (Red Lion Downtowner)

**7:30A** Summit Registration

**8:00A** Opening Session

Leah Clark, *Co-Chairman* | Introduction of Dr. Larry Branen

**8:40A** Leading Idaho Agriculture into the Future:  
**National Farm Policies**

Todd Van Hoose, *President & CEO, Farm Credit Council*

**2018 Pat Takasugi Leadership Award: Idaho Potato Industry**

**10:00A** Leading Idaho Agriculture into the Future  
**PANEL: Moving Commodities to Market**

*Trucking Industry Representative*

David Doeringsfeld, *Port of Lewiston*

Grant Kitamura, *Maiheur County Transload Facility*

Moderator: Laura Johnson, *ISDA*

**11:00A** Reception for Governor's Awards Winners & Guests

**12:00P** Governor's Awards Idaho Luncheon  
**"Excellence in Agriculture"**

**2:00P** Leading Idaho Agriculture into the Future

**PANEL: What is Our Source of Labor?**

Jen Uranga, *Mountain West Ag Consulting*

*Fruit Industry Representative*

Luke Ankeny, *Marsing Ag Labor*

Bob Naerebout, *Idaho Dairymen's Association*

Moderator: Brent Olmstead, *U of I CALS*

**3:00P** Leading Idaho Agriculture into the Future: **The Governor**

Presenters: Tommy Ahlquist, Raul Labrador, Brad Little,

Paulette Jordan, and A.J. Balukoff | Moderator: Dee Sarton

REGISTRATION FORM AVAILABLE ONLINE AT [WWW.IDAHOAGSUMMIT.ORG](http://WWW.IDAHOAGSUMMIT.ORG)

The Farm Credit Council selected Todd Van Hoose to serve as their president and CEO in 2016. Farm Credit is a nationwide network of customer-owned financial institutions that provides loans and related financial services to U.S. farmers and ranchers, farmer-owned cooperatives, rural homebuyers, agribusinesses and rural infrastructure providers.

Van Hoose had previously served as Cobank's Senior VP of Government Affairs. Prior to joining Cobank, he was Senior VP of Government Affairs for The Farm Credit Council. He also has held positions on Capitol Hill and with USDA, and has a degree in journalism and public relations from the University of Kentucky. Todd brings a wealth of Farm Credit and Washington experience to the council.

**TODD VAN HOOSE** | KEYNOTE SPEAKER



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# 2018 IDAHO AG SUMMIT

LEADING IDAHO AGRICULTURE INTO THE FUTURE

FEBRUARY 19-20, 2018 | BOISE, ID

GOVERNOR'S EXCELLENCE IN AGRICULTURE AWARDS  
**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2018 RECIPIENTS**

<b>Education/Advocacy:</b>	Richard Savage / Hamer
<b>Environmental Stewardship:</b>	Carl Lufkin / Salmon
<b>Marketing Innovation:</b>	Kevin Moss / Jerome
<b>Technical Innovation:</b>	Rudy DeWit / Blackfoot
<b>Lifetime Achievement:</b>	Drew Eggers / Meridian

**\$70 SPECIAL** *for*  
**YOUNG FARMERS / RANCHERS**

Once again, the Idaho Ag Summit Planning Committee is making a special appeal to all Idaho farmers and ranchers under the age of 40. Registration will be \$70 (\$95 after 2/9) for the conference. We recognize that the future of agriculture relies on the next generation of farmers/ranchers.

We would like each agriculture organization, commodity group, and agency to identify at least one young farmer or rancher (under age 40) and invite them to be your guest(s) at the 2018 Idaho Ag Summit.

*Information received and connections made will be well worth the investment of \$70 for a young farmer or rancher.*

**AG SUMMIT FACILITY  
 & LODGING INFORMATION**



The Red Lion Downtowner  
 1800 W. Fairview Avenue, Boise  
 208.344.7691

Special rates start at \$98/night (single) available until 2/5/18  
 Reserve under Idaho Ag Summit (Government rate available)

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ITEM #4b

**TO: CHAIRMAN WRIGHT AND COMMISSIONERS RADFORD, ROEMER, SLICHTER, AND  
TREBESCH**  
**FROM: RHONDA YADON, FISCAL & HR MANAGER**  
**DATE: JANUARY 3, 2018**  
**RE: FINANCIAL REPORTS, FISCAL MATTERS**

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

We are 50% through the year as of the end of December. The Financial Detail Report and Financial Summary Report (including the financial projections for the year) for the month ending December 31, 2017 will be available in hard copy at your meeting. The statewide financial reports will not be available for me to complete these reports until January 8, 2018. For those of you that will be attending the meeting remotely, I will have the reports emailed to you by the end of the day Wednesday, January 10, 2018. Overall, I believe that we are in good financial standing. I will review the reports on all the funds at your meeting.

**COMMISSIONER HONORARIUMS**

Below is a schedule of the honorarium balances as of December 31, 2017. Included in the schedule is the days and amounts budgeted for each Commissioner for FY18. We are in good standing with the travel budget for Commissioners as we have spent 49.7% of the honorarium allocation and 57.3% of the operating allocation to date.

Commissioner	Days Budgeted/ Traveled to Date	Benefit Costs included in Honorariums	Honorariums Budgeted	Expended to Date	Projected Balance/ (Overage)
Wright	30 / 13	\$118	\$1,618	\$710	\$908
Roemer	20 / 11	\$79	\$1,079	\$609	\$470
Trebesch	12 / 6	\$47	\$647	\$323	\$324
Radford	18 / 11	\$71	\$971	\$600	\$371
Slichter	20 / 8	\$79	\$1,079	\$440	\$639
Totals		\$394	\$5,394	\$2,682	\$2,712

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the Financial Reports for the month ended December 31, 2017



**IDAHO SOIL & WATER  
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ITEM #5a

**TO: CHAIRMAN WRIGHT AND COMMISSIONERS RADFORD, ROEMER, SLICHTER, AND  
TREBESCH**  
**FROM: DELWYNE TREFZ, DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICES**  
**DATE: DECEMBER 28, 2017**  
**RE: DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICES UPDATE**

**Mid-Year Update on FY 2018 Technical Assistance Hours Utilized and Deliverables Accomplished**

- a. A spreadsheet will be provided during the January 15<sup>th</sup> SWCC meeting which will show the status at mid-year (December 31<sup>st</sup>) of district technical assistance hours and deliverables Commission staff are committed to providing in FY 2018.

**FY 2017 District Capacity Building Funds Report**

- a. The attached FY 2017 Capacity Building Funds Report shows how districts used these funds to support their priority programs and activities.
- b. Capacity building funds in amounts ranging from \$1,550 - \$2,300 were awarded to 8 districts to help support regional events. The other 42 districts each received \$800 which they used to help accomplish a variety of different projects and activities, as depicted in the handout.

**REQUESTED ACTION: For information only**

Attachments: FY 2017 District Capacity Building Funds Report

## FY 2017 DISTRICT CAPACITY BUILDING FUNDS REPORT

DISTRICT	GRANT AMOUNT	WHAT DISTRICT USED FUNDS FOR
Ada SWCD	\$800.00	5th grade conservation field day
Adams SWCD	\$2,050.00	Rangeland Skillathon
Balanced Rock SCD	\$800.00	Purchased copier supplies to produce informational/educational materials
Bear Lake SWCD	\$800.00	Youth and adult education and outreach efforts
Benewah SWCD	\$800.00	Leveraged with partner resources to complete \$319 project
Blaine SCD	\$800.00	Supported rangeland drill information and outreach program
Bonner SWCD	\$2,300.00	Forestry Contest
Boundary SCD	\$800.00	Educational outreach at county fair
Bruneau River SCD	\$800.00	Helped update office hardware and software
Butte SWCD	\$800.00	Youth education programs
Camas CD	\$800.00	Outreach and educational programs
Canyon SCD	\$800.00	Outreach and educational programs
Caribou SCD	\$2,300.00	Supported Idaho Envirothon
Central Bingham CD	\$800.00	Youth education and outreach programs
Clark SCD	\$800.00	Outreach and education efforts
Clearwater SWCD	\$800.00	General support of district operations
Custer SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and education programs
East Cassia SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and education activities
East Side SWCD	\$2,300.00	Support of NCF Envirothon
Elmore SWCD	\$800.00	Production of newsletter and other educational activities
Franklin SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Gem SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Gooding SCD	\$800.00	Envirothon team support
Idaho SWCD	\$2,050.00	Grazing Conference
Jefferson SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Kootenai-Shoshone SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Latah SWCD	\$800.00	Support of district's soil health program
Lemhi SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Lewis SCD	\$1,550.00	Soil Health Workshop
Madison SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Minidoka SWCD	\$800.00	Staff trainings and outreach and education materials
Nez Perce SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
North Bingham SCD	\$800.00	Support of County Weed Association
North Side SWCD	\$800.00	Support Envirothon -- youth education
Oneida SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Owyhee CD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Payette SWCD	\$2,050.00	Agricultural Symposium
Portneuf SWCD	\$800.00	Ag Days event -- youth and adult education efforts
Power SCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Snake River SWCD	\$800.00	Purchased printer and supplies to produce informational materials
South Bingham SCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Squaw Creek SCD	\$800.00	Publication of outreach and educational materials
Teton SCD	\$800.00	No till/Soil Health and Cover Crop workshops
Twin Falls SWCD	\$800.00	Purchased copier supplies to produce informational/educational materials
Valley SWCD	\$800.00	Support installation of vault toilets at Boulder Lake trailhead
Weiser River SCD	\$800.00	1st and 6th grade field days
West Cassia SWCD	\$1,800.00	State Land & Soil Evaluation Event
West Side SWCD	\$800.00	Sponsor the Skyline HS team to the State Envirothon competition
Wood River SWCD	\$800.00	Outreach and Education
Yellowstone SCD	\$800.00	"Birth of a River" field trip for all 2nd grade students in Fremont County
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>	