

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

Boise, Idaho

April 26, 27, 28, 1976

The meeting convened at 9 a.m. with members present Vice-Chairman Baughman, R. J. Holmes and Lon Jarvis. William R. Guth arrived in mid-morning.

The board reviewed files of applicants who had scheduled appointments.

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Speltz, Jerome, appeared to discuss Mr. Speltz's application for an outfitter license for big game hunting, fishing, back-packing, and trailrides in units 43 and 44. These units have controlled elk hunts and controlled deer hunts, also, in unit 44. In general, the board has a policy not to issue new licenses for controlled hunt areas on the theory that a commercial operation would add to the problem of an already depleted game herd. Mr. Baughman stated that he felt the residents adjoining the area applied for would vigorously oppose a commercial operation there. The board agreed to research the matter further. He said he was not interested in obtaining a license which does not include big game hunting.

Gary Bader and Albert Dianda dba St. Joe Outfitters with Gary Bader as M.A. appeared to answer to a complaint from Robert Moe concerning services provided his party. Mr. Moe stopped payment on his check. Two horses rolled and destroyed some of their gear. The guides were not licensed at the time. A questionnaire inquiring about service provided was sent to all of St. Joe's hunters and most of them were returned with quite favorable comments. After taking everything into consideration, the board decided to approve their applications and issue probationary licenses for 1976-77 and to have this indicated on the licenses.

Chuck Overland came before the board to answer to complaints from some of his hunters. He stated that he is now sole owner of Camas Creek Outfitters. It is no longer a partnership. He said a guide quit in midseason and left him shorthanded. He said he would allow two days between hunts next season. The board asked him to send names and addresses of all his 1975 season hunters. He has not submitted an application. He said he would send it in in a few days.

Mike Ihli appeared in reference to an application for an outfitter license submitted by Robert Merrick. He said that he is a partner of Mr. Merrick and that he has a power of attorney but he did not bring it with him. He was reminded that partnerships acting as outfitters are required by Idaho Code 36-5402, 5409, and 5413 to designate a managing agent who is also required to have a license. Further, the license fee received is not in negotiable form. Mr. Ihli said he would dissolve the partnership and send a notice to that effect. He asked for an immediate decision on the issuance of the license but the board declined to make any commitment on an incomplete application.

Bruce Oakes appeared in connection with his application for power and float boating on the lower Salmon River. He has been licensed as a guide for power boating for several years but we have no record of float boat experience. He said he would send further details of his experience.

Charles Willmore appeared to discuss his application for an outfitter license for Salmon River Properties, Inc. and for his area on the Main Salmon. He said he has settled his difficulties with the Forest Service and Twin Peaks Ranch will be operating and he would like to be licensed

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Val Johnson appeared to discuss the outfitter application for trailrides and boating for NezPerce Outfitters and Guides with himself as M.A. An area on the north side of the river was tentatively agreed upon. He needs to get the signature of the district ranger.

Expenses pertaining to the trial at Moscow were discussed. (Loren Smith vs Outfitters and Guides Board et al.) A bill from Heston and Howell for transcribing depositions in the amount of \$248.80; Guy Hurlbutt, attorney \$123.61; Norman Guth, allowable witness fees to be determined. Mr Jarvis made a motion that these bills be paid, seconded by Holmes, and unanimously approved. Board members Baughman and Renshaw and the secretary have not submitted expense accounts as yet.

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James L. Baughman

Lois Merritt, Sec.

OUTFITTERS

Andreessen, Terry  
Bader, Gary D. -- Probationary License  
Christensen, David W.  
Davis, Eugene R.  
Drury, Omer H.  
England, Wayne  
Giles, David D.  
Jensen, Marriner R.  
King, Kenny  
McConnel, Richard L.  
McCullough, Kurt  
McMaster, Frank A.  
Malone, Ronald L.  
Mason, William Wesley, Jr.  
Merrill, Dick dba Hell's Canyon Tours  
Middlefork Ranch, Inc.  
Ney, Dale F.  
Preston, Fred  
Pruitt, Leroy  
St. Joe Outfitters -- Probationary License  
Selby, Quentin E.  
Snug Company  
Stucker, Dave  
Supple, Daniel E.  
Taylor, Ray J.  
Timber Ridge Ranch  
Walker, Larry F.  
Wild Rivers West  
Wilson, Forrest G.  
Woods, Clay

GUIDES

Bales, Robert E.  
Beckwith, Robert Eugene  
Brunzell, Robert H.  
Burnett, Brad K.  
Currey, Steven C.  
Drury, Charlie Omer  
Drury, June Bethel

Ferdon, Charles Walter  
Giles, Phyllis  
Guth, William R.  
Hamilton, Randall L.  
Leidecker, Joel K.  
Lottis, Mark C.  
Lucas, Willard H.  
Moore, Alan S.  
Ney, Timothy Dale  
Orsborn, Mack T.  
Pettit, John K., Jr.  
Porter, Fred  
Ross, Jamie  
Shephard, Steve  
Simons, Edward E.  
Stilwill, Clarence D.  
Stone, Randy L.  
Sturgill, Stephen Jerry  
Syczylo, Joseph J.  
Tonsmeire, Daniel L.  
VanLeeuwen, Joseph L., Jr.  
Wells, Kevin B.  
Wetherington, Don  
Wilkinson, Clayton H.

EXTENTIONS

Tarbox, Ray L.--amended to qualify to guide

DENIALS

OUTFITTERS

Andreessen, Terry--float boating on M.Fk as maximum number of commercial outfitters licensed.  
Christensen, David--lead boatman status on Snake River as we do not have log of exper.  
Giles, David D.--power boating on Main Salmon from Spring Bar to Snake R. as the maximum number of outfitters already licensed & guiding float boating on Main Salmon from Spring Bar to Snake R. as we do not have a log of experience  
Merrill, Dick--power boating on Clearwater R. and Salmon R. from White Bird to Snake as the maximum number of outfitters already licensed.

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Merrill, Dick--Big game hunting as other outfitters licensed in area and there is no need for additional commercial services to insure an adequate harvest.

Pruitt, Leroy--float boating on Owyhee R. as we do not have a log of experience.

Supple, Daniel E.--hunting in the area north of Little Meadow Creek as this area is licensed to another outfitter.

Taylor, Ray J.--float boating on the Clarks Fork, Priest, Moyie & Kootania Rivers as these rivers are not open to commercial outfitters--also guiding as we do not have a copy of his red cross card.

Walker, Larry F.--part of the new area applied for as there is already more than one outfitter licensed for it.

#### GUIDES

Burnett, Brad K.--float boating on the M.Fk. of Salmon as the log is not complete and power boating on Snake River as outfitter is not licensed and no log of experience.

Giles, Phyllis--float boating on Salmon R. from Iron Creek to M. Fk. as we do not have a log of experience.

Hamilton, Randall L.--power boating on Main Salmon from mouth of M.Fk. to Spring Bar as outfitter is not licensed & Lead Boatman status on M. Fk Salmon and Main Salmon as we do not have a log showing experience.

Shephard, Steve--float boating on Main Salmon from Spring Bar to Rigging as employing outfitter is not licensed for this section of river.

Stone, Rancy L.--lead boatman on M.Fk of Salmon and float boating on Main Salmon from Stanley to Challis and Iron Creek to Spring Bar as we do not have a log of experience.

Tonsmeire, Daniel L.--cross country skiing as we do not have a photocopy of his PSIA certification

Wilkinson, Clayton ) power boating  
Moore, Alan S. ) on Main Salmon  
Currey, Steven C. ) from mouth of  
VanLeeuwen, Joseph L., Jr.) M.Fk to Spring  
Sturgill, Stephen Jerry ) Bar as employing  
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*4/27/76 motion passed to delete balance of 4/27/76 minutes.*

*& the meeting adjourned*  
Mrs. Merritt reminded them that nothing had been done about her replacement.

Mr. Baughman said, "I've been thinking about this. Lois thinks she is underpaid but it is good pay for a woman. We can get a woman for around \$700.00 a month. This job isn't very difficult. It only takes average intelligence and if she works at it she can do the job and work up. But if we go out and hire a man, it would cost 12 to 15 thousand."

Mr. Holmes and Mr. Guth had no further suggestions and Mr. Baughman

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said he would look into the possible classifications.

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The meeting reconvened at 9 a.m. on April 28, with members present Baughman and Jarvis. Since there was not a quorum present, the secretary was instructed not to take notes but a resume follows.

There was a discussion with Mrs. Bobbitt about taking over the job opening. She was told that since a new employee would know nothing about the job she would have to do the work for a time, anyway. She said she would consider it. There was no mention of salary.

Mr. Jarvis said, "I still think it would be better to have a man."

Mr. Baughman said, "We could get a graduate from Link's or the college but I've hired college graduates . . . . . But we can get a woman with experience." Baughman and Jarvis stated that they would like to interview the applicants.

Mrs. Bobbitt said she would think it over, if she was going to have to do the work she might as well be paid for it. There was no further discussion on this matter.

There was discussion on research to be done in regard to some new applications and the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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*Lois Merritt, Secretary*