

MINUTES

IDAHO OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD
BOISE, IDAHO

March 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, 1984

A regular meeting of the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Board was called to order by Chairman Glen R. Foster, at 0830, March 6, 1984, in the office boardroom at Boise, Idaho. Other board members present were: Robert L. Salter, William R. Meiners, Scott Farr, and Harry W. Vaughn.

Meiners briefed the Board on the federal environmental assessment studies being conducted in various areas in Idaho.

Chairman Foster gave a report on the March 5, 1984, K. Todd Hill, Managing Agent, and Skull Creek Outfitters, Inc. hearing for revocation of outfitter licenses.

Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Decision in the Charlie A. Stovner case were reviewed, then Salter moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT, BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF HEARING OFFICER, MARILYN J. ROORDA, THE BOARD REVOKE THE 1983-84 LICENSE, NUMBER 0951, HELD BY GUIDE CHARLES A. STOVNER.

Salter moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT IN THE EVENT THAT MR. CHARLES A. STOVNER APPLIES FOR A 1984-85 GUIDE'S LICENSE, THAT THE APPLICATION BE HELD UNTIL IT CAN BE CONSIDERED BY THE FULL LICENSING BOARD.

A letter, dated February 27, 1984, from Richard Don Greer and Roger Tillis, whereby they request a meeting with the Board to appeal its decision of denial was read. The Board determined that prior to the new meeting, that additional investigation will be made with the bear and cougar area outfitters and with Idaho Fish and Game representatives.

Following review of the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association April 3-6, 1984 agenda, the Board determined that it would follow its customary procedure to meet with agency people during the first part of the proceedings, although there would be an overlap of meetings. Other time conflict will be avoided when possible in the Board's special meetings.

New area description was defined for the licenses of Hole-In-The-Wall and adjoining outfitter, David P. Bobbitt, as follows:

HOLE-IN-THE-WALL: BEGINNING AT THE HEAD OF JAP CREEK ON THE IDAHO-MONTANA STATELINE (SEC. 3, T.40N., R.12E., B.M.); THENCE WESTERLY DOWN JAP CREEK TO ITS CONFLUENCE WITH LAKE CREEK; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY DOWN LAKE CREEK TO FOREST SERVICE ROAD 737 (SEC. 35, T.41N., R.11E.); THENCE SOUTHEAST ON SAID ROAD TO OSIER RIDGE; THENCE SOUTH ON LAUNDRY RIDGE ON TRAIL 470 TO ROAD 255; THENCE SOUTHERLY ON ROAD 255 TO THE MOUTH OF LITTLE MOOSE CREEK; THENCE NORTHEAST ON LITTLE MOOSE CREEK TO TRAIL 428; THENCE SOUTH ON TRAIL 428 TO BRUIN HILL; THENCE NORTHEAST IN A STRAIGHT LINE TO KIDD LAKE AND THE MONTANA BORDER; THENCE NORTHERLY ON THE BORDER TO THE HEAD OF JAP CREEK, THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (F&G UNIT 10)

DAVID P. BOBBITT: BEGINNING AT THE JUNCTION OF LONG CREEK RIDGE AND THE IDAHO-MONTANA STATELINE (SEC. 22, T.42N., R.11E., B.M.); THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON LONG CREEK RIDGE TO THE RAWHIDE CREEK TRAIL; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY DOWN THE RAWHIDE CREEK TRAIL TO THE CONFLUENCE OF RAWHIDE CREEK AND LONG CREEK; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY DOWN LONG CREEK TO THE CEDARS CAMPGROUND (OLD CEDARS RANGER STATION) AND CONTINUING TO THE MOUTH OF LAKE CREEK; THENCE SOUTH AND EAST UP LAKE CREEK TO THE MOUTH OF JAP CREEK; THENCE EASTERLY UP JAP CREEK TO THE IDAHO-MONTANA STATELINE (SEC. 3, T.40N., R.12E.); THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE STATELINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (F&G UNIT 10)

Cindy Bradley's request for fishing in her trailriding area was researched. Then Vaughn moved, Salter seconded and the motion passed THAT THE MS. CINDY BRADLEY APPLICATION BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE FISHING RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY FOREST SERVICE AND IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME LETTERS DATED FEBRUARY 29, 1984, AND JANUARY 31, 1984.

Additional investigation of licensing requirement will be made into Stuart Crook's Bikecentennial group touring, as well as fly-in and boating access to licensed areas in Idaho's backcountry.

Don Dressen, Fruitland, and Lee Cisco, Boise, appeared before the Board in a change of managing agents for D-Double-S Outfitters, with Dressen replacing Wilbur Stepp who has left the outfitting business.

After this appointment, Farr moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT DONALD L. DRESSEN BE APPROVED AS MANAGING AGENT FOR D-DOUBLE-S OUTFITTERS UPON COMPLETION OF THE APPLICATIONS.

David L. Peterson, Corvallis, Montana, appeared before the Board concerning his application for licensing an additional area which is being released by Lonnie Haley. Peterson explained his plan to continue with his area in Unit 12 and operate the new area, and will possibly arrange to have Al Latch as his managing agent in Unit 12.

Following the meeting, Salter moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT THE APPLICATION OF DAVID L. PETERSON (AND EVELYN SWEENER PETERSON) TO ASSUME THE MELVIN E. "LONNIE" HALEY OUTFITTING BUSINESS BE APPROVED WHEN THE APPLICATION IS COMPLETE AND IT BE COMBINED WITH HIS CURRENT BUSINESS LICENSING IN UNIT 12.

Ridge W. Taylor, Jackson Hole, who is a Wyoming outfitter, appeared before the Board with an application for outfitting in Idaho for mule deer on Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service land adjoining the private land he will have use of belonging to his uncle, Sherm Swim, in Fish and Game Units 70 and 73A.

Richard Blake, Salmon, Idaho, appeared before the Board to license as the new managing agent for Salmon River Tours which was formerly Salmon River Adventures. He explained that he and his wife were now sole owners, and will submit these records in lieu of a release from Bill Oldham, who was formerly licensed as the managing agent of the business.

Following the meeting, Meiners moved and Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT MR. BLAKE, ASSUMING OWNERSHIP AND RENAMING SALMON RIVER ADVENTURES TO SALMON RIVER TOURS WITH RICHARD BLAKE, MANAGING AGENT, UPON SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF HIS APPLICATION AND HIS RETENTION OF A QUALIFIED RIVER GUIDE, BE APPROVED FOR LICENSING.

Ernest E. "Ernie" Duckworth, Clarkston, Washington, appeared before the Board on a complaint registered against outfitter Steve Wieber, in which Duckworth became a party to a violation of Rule No. 33, involving transportation of hunting clients into an area for which he was not licensed.

Following this meeting, Meiners moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT THE BOARD WRITE A LETTER OF REPRIMAND TO ERNEST DUCKWORTH FOR VIOLATION OF RULE NO. 33. Salter also asked that the secretary prepare a board information file to have available to all members on the past 3-year recorded use of those holding big game hunting area licenses along the Hell's Canyon section of the Snake river.

Recess was called at 1800 hours.

Wednesday, March 7, 1984, all members reconvened at their office boardroom, at 0830. Following discussion of the case, a decision was made to write the complainants in the Wieber case, that Wieber, Rogers and Duckworth had appeared before the Board, advising the disposition (Wieber given probationary licensing and a letter of reprimand), and mention Wieber's offer of a free trip. A copy of this letter will be sent to Dwight Kilgore, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Lewiston.

Pat Kole, Attorney General Natural Resources Division Chief, met with the Board to discuss legal matters.

Tim Craig, Peck, Idaho, appeared before the Board and discussed his management plan for operation of the Boulder Creek area and the area being released by Roskelley and Idaho Big Game, Inc. Before leaving, Craig asked for additional area in Unit 12 for spring bear hunting.

Brent Hill and his attorney, Charles Roos, Joe Peck, Challis, and Phil Whitley, Ketchum, Idaho, appeared before the Board as Hill and the former outfitters explained the past hunting use and boundary established between Middle Fork Lodge and the area now licensed to Hill. The Board advised there would be additional investigation made and asked for names of guides who had worked for these outfitters who may have information to provide on past hunting use.

Dr. William Bowman and Attorney Don Lojek, Boise State University, appeared before the Board to explain their outdoor recreational program for kayaking and rafting on the rivers. Since it also includes non-academic participation, applications will be completed.

Following research of Dave Stucker's license extension request for cougar hunting in portions of Fish and Game Units 23 and 24, Salter moved, Meiners seconded and the motion passed THAT BASED UPON THE FACT THE BOARD HAS TWO FISH AND GAME LETTERS THAT THERE BE NO MORE NEW COUGAR OUTFITTERS LICENSED IN THE AREA, AND BASED UPON THE FISH AND GAME RECOMMENDATION OF NOT DOUBLING UP ON COUGAR AND BEAR HUNTERS, THAT THE STUCKER APPLICATION BE APPROVED WITH EXCEPTION OF THOSE PORTIONS IN UNIT 23 AND THOSE PORTIONS PRESENTLY LICENSED TO HIGH COUNTRY OUTFITTERS AND TO HERSHEL COULTER. Farr and Foster voted "nay", the motion carried.

Following a telephone call to Stucker, the meeting was recessed at 1800 hours.

Thursday, March 8, 1984, at 0830, the meeting reconvened with all members present.

An application of Ron Burch, Caldwell, for deer, antelope and chukar hunting in Fish and Game Units 40 and 42 was reviewed. It was determined that there would be an overlap with outfitter Stan Meholchick. Meiners moved, Salter seconded and the motion passed THAT THE RON BURCH APPLICATION BE DENIED BECAUSE (1), THE AREA REQUESTED OVERLAPS AN EXISTING LICENSED DEER/ANTELOPE HUNTING OUTFITTER, (2), THE POTENTIAL OF CONFLICT BY THE PROXIMATE LOCATION OF THE TWO OUTFITTER BASE CAMPS, AND (3), THE SHORT DEER SEASON, HIGH ACCESSIBILITY OF THE PROPOSED AREA, AND THE EXTENSIVE USE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC, PARTICULARLY IN UNIT 40, CITING IDAHO CODE 36-2109 (b) 4. AND (b) 5. The motion carried by majority vote, Vaughn abstained from voting.

Bikecentennial tour information was again reviewed and the telephone input received from Pete Dean, Powell Ranger District. Then Meiners moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT BASED ON ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND RECONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD'S PRIOR DISCUSSION, THAT THE BIKECENTENNIAL TOURS (AND OTHER BICYCLE TOURS AS MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD) BE LICENSED AND THEY BE SO NOTIFIED, AND THAT STANDARDS BE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD TO COVER BICYCLE TOURING. The motion carried with three "aye" votes cast; Salter voted "nay".

Milt Butler, Mackay, Idaho, appeared before the Board to discuss addition of an area for trailrides and fishing. The East Pass Creek area he applied for previously was denied. Butler asked that it be researched again, along with other summer use including all of Copper Basin, Fall Creek, Moose Lake and Broad Canyon. The Board asked that a detailed request be made in writing along with a map. Sheep hunting by permit request in other outfitter areas was explained.

Following the reading of a written request submitted by Alex Urfer, Managing Agent, Salter moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT THE REQUEST OF GUIDED OUTDOOR ADVENTURE TOURS, INC. FOR THE FISHING AND CHUKAR HUNTING LEFT OFF ON THE LICENSING IN THE BUSINESS TRANSFER FROM VINSON JOHNSON'S WILD RIVERS WEST, INC. BE APPROVED FOR ADDITION TO THEIR LICENSES.

A letter from Dave Poncin, Nezperce National Forest, soliciting donations for restoration of the Jim Moore homestead along the Salmon river was read. The Board also reviewed Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service's new National Outfitter Policy and the input received concerning the Memo of Understanding being formulated.

Following the lunch break, Al Lewis met with all members of the Board as they reconvened, with discussion of his investigation work.

Elwood Masoner, Ted Epley and Hank Miller, Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association president and officers, appeared before the Board for support of an Economic Study being prepared. Also discussed was the mutual support against legislation in progress which would exempt non-profit and educational groups, along with religious organizations, from the Outfitters and Guides Act. Additional coordination on the informant reward system was requested by Epley, as well as suggested better communication between the Board and the Association. The Chairman explained that the Board would be sending a letter requesting the Association to set up a 3-person review board to consider outfitter-board member's requests for amendment to their outfitter operations and make recommendation to the Board for final decision.

Ron Bricker, Jerome, and Zeb Bell, Kimberly, appeared before the Board with a new outfitter operation proposed for trailrides and fishing in Unit 54, in the Sawtooth National Forest south of Twin Falls.

Following their meeting, Salter contacted Bob Bell, Regional Fisheries Manager, Jerome, and reported that "no problem was seen" in what was being proposed. Farr then moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT WHEN THE APPLICATIONS OF RON BRICKER AND ZEB BELL FOR TRAILRIDES AND FISHING IN CASSIA DIVISION OF SAWTOOTH NATIONAL FOREST ARE COMPLETE, THAT THEY BE APPROVED.

Idaho Department of Fish and Game letter response to the Board's inquiry concerning the continued combination licensing of Middle Fork Lodge, Bob Cole, Gary Madsen and Brent Hill, for bear and cougar hunting, was read. Farr moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT SINCE THERE WILL NOT BE AN ADDITION OF A NEW BEAR AND COUGAR HUNTING OUTFITTER, THAT COUGAR RANCH OUTFITTERS, LTD. LICENSE BE ISSUED AS WAS LICENSED PREVIOUSLY TO S BAR W WILDERNESS OUTFITTERS.

Another letter from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game was read in response to the Board's inquiry concerning Nolan "Red" Woods, Pollock, requesting a partnership licensing with Marvin Thack for bear and cougar hunting in Units 13 and 18. Meiners moved, Salter seconded and the motion passed THAT THE APPLICATION FOR BEAR AND LION HUNTING BE DENIED TO NOLAN WOODS AND MARVIN THACK IN ACCORDANCE WITH IDAHO CODE 36-2109 (b) 4. AND (b) 5. AND FURTHER SUBSTANTIATED BY A LETTER RECEIVED FROM THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME AND ALSO IN FURTHERANCE OF THE BOARD'S DESIRE TO NOT CONTINUE STACKING OF BEAR AND COUGAR HUNTING.

Following discussion of the past year's operations and activities, the Board members determined that the 1984-85 licenses not be issued for Victor Frederickson, Jerrold Malson, and James (Romaine) Scott, until the applications are reviewed by the full board.

The file of Bill Caccia and letters concerning falsification of his first aid cards, a guide for Rocky Mountain River Tours, was reviewed. The Board then determined that a 1983-84 probationary license be issued immediately and if a new 1984-85 license application is received, it also be issued probationary.

The Board considered the request of Dean Roloff who has been working with Stephen Cutright as a managing agent for ARTA, to become the new managing agent now that Cutright has left. Vaughn moved, Salter seconded and the motion passed THAT DEAN ROLOFF BE APPROVED AS MANAGING AGENT FOR AMERICAN RIVER TOURING ASSOCIATION, AND THAT HE BE ADVISED THAT HE WILL NOT HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD.

Since the pending agreements between M & M Outfitters and Renshaw, and Heinrich & Smith and Renshaw, had not been received for Board consideration, it was determined that the 1984-85 licenses will be issued as licensed previously and that a letter be sent to Jim Renshaw, with copies to the other outfitters involved, advising the Board's decision.

Following discussion and review of the files of High Adventure River Touring, Inc. and the new managing agents, Randy McBride and Alice Sonnichsen, the Board determined that the licenses will be held as the lead boatman obtained was only qualified for the Middle Fork, and that Randy be advised that training must be obtained for the Iron Creek to North Fork section of the Salmon river and the Snake river from Lower Salmon Falls to Bliss Bridge, or that a boatman be hired.

Recess was called at 1800 hours.

Friday, March 9, 1984, all members reconvened, meeting with Al Lewis, who gave a report of his investigation in eastern Idaho.

Attorney Clive Strong reviewed current board legislation, recent hearing cases and the pending Vermillion case, the Board's attempt to retrieve court case funds which were misapportioned, and the probability of a recommendation on the Proposed Rules and Regulations Amendments hearing by the next board meeting date.

It was agreed that an attempt will be made to schedule board meetings during the first two weeks of each month.

Rewording of Robert Liming area description was approved, as follows:

FOREST GROUSE AND CHUKAR HUNTING, FISHING, TRAILRIDES, BACKPACKING, SNOW-MOBILING AND CROSS COUNTRY SKIING: BEGINNING AT FOREST, IDAHO; THENCE NORTHWEST ALONG COUNTY ROAD TO SOLDIERS MEADOW (SEC. 30, T.33N., R.3W., B.M.); THENCE SOUTH TO DEER CREEK AND ITS DRAINAGES INTO LARABEE MEADOWS (SEC. 18, T.32N., R.3W., B.M.); THENCE EASTERLY ALONG DEER CREEK TO THE NEZPERCE COUNTY LINE; THENCE NORTHEAST TO FOREST, IDAHO, THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (F&G UNIT 11)
FOREST GROUSE AND CHUKAR HUNTING IS GRANTED ON A PROVISIONAL BASIS ONLY AND IS TO BE REVIEWED EACH YEAR BEFORE ISSUANCE OF A NEW LICENSE.

FISHING AND BACKPACKING:

1. BEGINNING ON THE PITTSBURG SADDLE (SEC. 24, T.27N., R.1W., B.M.); THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG ROUTE 493 TO THE CIRCLE C RANCH; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE SNAKE RIVER ALONG TRAIL 102 TO CORRAL CREEK TRAIL 117; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG CORRAL CREEK TRAIL 117 AND CORRAL CREEK TO HARLIN MILL; THENCE NORTH ALONG ROAD 420 TO GRAVE POINT; THENCE NORTH TO PITTSBURG SADDLE, THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (F&G UNIT 18)
2. STARTING AT HEAVENS GATE (SECS. 31 & 32, T.24N., R.1W., B.M.); THENCE DOWN SHEEP CREEK TO THE SNAKE RIVER; THENCE DOWN THE SNAKE RIVER TO PITTSBURG LANDING. (F&G UNIT 18)
3. BEGINNING AT BIG FOG SADDLE (SEC. 16, T.32N., R.10E., B.M.); THENCE VIA BIG FOG MOUNTAIN, LEGEND LAKE, SOUTH THREE LINKS LAKES, NORTH THREE LINKS LAKE, UPPER LLOYD LAKE MEADOW, OLD MAN LAKE; THENCE ON TRAIL 133 TO FLEA RIDGE AND ON TO SPLIT CREEK PACK BRIDGE. (F&G UNIT 12)
4. BEGINNING AT CAYUSE JUNCTION (SEC. 32, T.38N., R.13E., B.M.); THENCE WESTERLY ALONG CAYUSE CREEK TO GRAVEY CREEK AND NORTHWESTERLY ALONG CAYUSE CREEK TO CAYUSE LANDING FIELD; THENCE SOUTH ON TRAIL 534 TO LUNDE PEAK; THENCE EAST ALONG LUNDE RIDGE TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE FOREST SERVICE FIRE LANE, LEADING ON TO CAYUSE JUNCTION, THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (F&G UNIT 10)
5. BEGINNING ON THE TRAIL LEADING FROM THE FIRE LANE, ALONG GOOSE CREEK TO GOOSE LAKE (SEC. 10, T.41N., R.12E., B.M.); THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG RIDGE TRAIL TO FISH LAKE (SEC. 6, T.40N., R.12E.); THENCE ON TRAIL TO EAST FIRE LANE, BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 1 AND 15. (F&G UNIT 10)

Vernon P. Johnson's letter was read requesting pleasure float boating in the area in which he is currently licensed for Fishing Boating Only. He also requested additional fishing area. These requests will be researched.

A citation issued for operating with unidentified boats in violation of Rule No. 25, by Michael Murphy and Two-M Outfitters, Inc., which resulted in a fine levied by Challis court, was discussed. Salter moved, Meiners seconded and the motion passed THAT MICHAEL MURPHY AND TWO-M OUTFITTERS, INC. #1 AND #2 1984-85 LICENSES BE ISSUED PROBATIONARY. The motion carried with three "aye" votes, Farr cast a "nay" vote.

Following review of a Forest Service letter and a request by Mitch McFarland dba Packer John Guide Service, for increase of area, Vaughn moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT THE BOARD DENY THE REQUEST FOR AN ADDITION OF A BUFFER ZONE ALONG GANT RIDGE AND APPROVE A LIMITED OPERATION IN THE WATERFALL CREEK AREA TO A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) HUNTS DURING THE EARLY PART OF THE SEASON TO ACCOMMODATE NO MORE THAN SIX (6) HUNTERS FOR MITCH MCFARLAND DBA PACKER JOHN'S GUIDE SERVICE AND JOHN BOOKER, MANAGING AGENT. THE REASON FOR DENIAL IS EXTENSIVE PUBLIC USE AND DIFFICULTY OF DEFINING AN IMAGINARY LINE HALFWAY DOWN THE RIDGE. The revised area description approved for the 1984-85 outfitter license is as follows:

START AT THE MOUTH OF PANTHER CREEK (SEC. 19, T.23N., R.18E., B.M.); THENCE SOUTHEAST TO THE CONFLUENCE OF CLEAR CREEK AND PANTHER CREEK; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON THE FRANK CHURCH RIVER OF NO RETURN WILDERNESS BOUNDARY TO THE CRAGS CAMPGROUND; THENCE NORTHWEST ON TRAIL 021 TO CATHEDRAL ROCK; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON TRAIL 045 TO THE RIDGE BETWEEN WATERFALL CREEK AND WILSON CREEK; THENCE SOUTHERLY ON THE RIDGE TO PUDDIN MOUNTAIN; THENCE SOUTH AND SOUTHWESTERLY ON THE RIDGE BETWEEN ALPINE CREEK AND WATERFALL CREEK TO A POINT NEAR THE HEAD OF BOBTAIL CREEK WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF MILE NORTHWEST OF SOUTH FORK LAKE; THENCE NORTH AND WEST ON THE RIDGE BETWEEN BOBTAIL CREEK AND THE SOUTH FORK OF WATERFALL CREEK TO THE MIDDLE FORK OF THE SALMON RIVER; THENCE NORTHEAST DOWN THE MIDDLE FORK OF THE SALMON RIVER TO THE CONFLUENCE OF THE MIDDLE FORK AND THE MAIN SALMON RIVER; THENCE EASTERLY UP THE SALMON RIVER TO THE MOUTH OF PANTHER CREEK, THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (F&G UNITS 27 & 28)

THE OUTFITTER MAY TRAIL CLIENTS AND PACK STRINGS ON THE GANT RIDGE TRAIL AND MAY HAVE OCCASION TO PURSUE WOUNDED ANIMALS THAT STRAY ONTO GANT FACE. THIS RIGHT OF CHASE AND PASSAGE DOES NOT CONSTRUE THE RIGHT TO GUIDE HUNTING ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF THE APPROVED HUNTING AREA.

A LIMITED OPERATION IN THE WATERFALL CREEK AREA SHALL NOT EXCEED A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) HUNTS DURING THE EARLY PART OF THE SEASON TO ACCOMMODATE NO MORE THAN SIX (6) HUNTERS TOTAL DURING THESE TWO (2) HUNTS.

All members reconvened following the lunch recess except Glen Foster, who left the meeting to represent the Board in the legislative subcommittee meeting being held at the state capitol building concerning the Board's proposed legislation.

Art Griffith, Hamilton, Montana, appeared before the Board to explain complaints which are registered against his past season's hunting operation. Mr. Griffith explained the problems he had when a guide quit while Art was sick and that he had tried to accommodate late arrival clients which threw his schedule off for following hunts. Pictures of his pack and riding stock were shown and explanation given for the allegations made by the complaining clients. When questioned about his first aid card, he said he did not have it with him but thought it had expired and he would obtain a new first aid card as soon as possible.

Richard Grunch, Hayden Lake, Idaho, appeared before the Board, along with his cook from the past season, Vern Markwick, on complaints filed against his past season's hunting operation. Grunch explained the problems encountered when he had to fire two guides and another left, leaving him short of guides and having to ride continually between his three camps to pack in supplies and pack out game and clients. There was also a problem of excessive liquor being consumed in camp. The hard use and poor feeding of the stock was a result of short and poor help, he explained. The Humane Society's check of his stock was also explained. A copy of his contract and other documents were left for the Board's review. Foster returned during the latter part of this meeting.

The Board determined that additional information will be secured from Dr. John Bloxam, DVM, Coeur d'Alene and the Humane Society, as well as other information reviewed which may come in, before any decision is made on the Richard Grunch outfitting operation.

There was discussion of bear hunting and a letter given the Board by Richard Grunch concerning sale of galls and/or claws. Richard Grunch also advised that he had sold his tracking dogs and would not be booking spring hunters.

Following discussion of the Griffith complaints and meeting, Vaughn moved, Meiners seconded and the motion passed THAT A LETTER BE SENT TO ALL INVOLVED PARTIES WITH A COPY TO GRIFFITH THAT THE BOARD HAD MR. GRIFFITH IN AND THE COMPLAINT POINTS HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AND NO FURTHER ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT HIS CARD MAY BE INVALID, THAT THE ART GRIFFITH FILE BE FLAGGED AND THAT HE SUPPLY A NEW RED CROSS FIRST AID CARD BEFORE HIS 1984-85 LICENSE BE ISSUED. The motion carried, Foster abstained from voting.

Salter requested that if and when the Board receives an application from Mike Madden to buy in with Forrest Wilson, that it be held for full board approval.

There was additional discussion on the Hill-Middle Fork Lodge area boundary adjustment, then Meiners moved, Salter seconded and the motion passed THAT DUE TO THE ADDITIONAL AND CONFLICTING INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE BOARD CONCERNING THE HISTORICAL USE AND BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION BETWEEN MIDDLE FORK LODGE AND COUGAR RANCH OUTFITTERS, THAT BOB COLE AND BRENT HILL BE ADVISED THAT THE BOARD'S DECISION AS INDICATED IN OUR LETTER OF FEBRUARY 17, 1984, IS RESCINDED AND THAT THEIR 1984-85 LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED THE SAME AS FOR 1983-84. FURTHER, THE BOARD WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TO MAKE A DETERMINATION AS TO THE TRUE LOCATION OF THE HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION AND TO DETERMINE IF ADJUSTMENTS SHOULD BE MADE. EVERY ATTEMPT TO FINALIZE THIS MATTER WILL BE MADE WITHIN THE NEXT 90 DAYS. The motion carried with three "aye" votes, Vaughn and Foster cast "nay" votes.

Chairman Foster explained his meeting with the legislative committee. Then, Deputy Attorney General Clive Strong joined the meeting and indicated that additional changes will need to be drafted and submitted to the Germane Subcommittee on the Board's proposed legislation. Attorney Strong also advised that a stipulation had been drawn which will require a \$300.00 fine on the James Vermillion falsified first aid document case.

Following discussion of the license amendment requested by Grizzly Outfitters, (Hoff and Deeds), for fishing, the meeting recessed at 1900 hours.

Saturday, March 10, 1984, all members reconvened at 0800, in the Boise office boardroom.

A request for additional area for bear and cougar hunting by Richard English, in Units 1 and 2 was discussed. Salter moved, Meiners seconded and the motion passed THAT THE APPLICATION OF RICHARD W. ENGLISH FOR EXTENSION FOR A BEAR AND COUGAR AREA BE DENIED BASED ON (1), THE BEAR MORATORIUM, AND (2), DENIAL OF PREVIOUS REQUESTS FOR COUGAR HUNTING IN THIS AREA AND THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT TO NOT GRANT NEW LICENSES. It was also determined that Mr. English be advised of the Board's action on January 20, 1984, to revise the area assigned in 1983-84. (The revised area description approved is described in the January minutes.)

Hammerhead Outfitters', David Whitworth, Incom, Idaho, request for extended outfitting for wagon and trail rides was considered, also his request for extension of area for trophy mule deer hunting. Salter advised that he will get back to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game for review of their input and action may be taken at the April meeting, if it is received by that time. Mr. Whitworth will be advised also that his management plan had not arrived in time for consideration at the March meeting.

After consideration of the Grizzly Outfitters license amendment request, Vaughn moved, Meiners seconded and the motion passed THAT DEEDS AND HOFF'S GRIZZLY OUTFITTERS, INC., WHO HAD REQUESTED BOATING ON PEND OREILLE LAKE FOR THE PURPOSES OF FISHING AND TRANSPORTATION OF HUNTERS TO AND FROM THEIR BIG GAME HUNTING AREA, BE ADVISED BY LETTER THAT DUE TO A LONG-STANDING PRACTICE, THE BOARD AT THIS TIME IS NOT LICENSING FISHING ON THE BIG LAKES IN NORTHERN IDAHO. THIS PRACTICE IS BEING REVIEWED AND IN THE EVENT THIS IS CHANGED, THEY WILL BE NOTIFIED AND THEY CAN RESUBMIT THEIR REQUEST AT THAT TIME. THAT TRANSPORTATION OF HUNTERS TO AND FROM THEIR LICENSED AREA IS BEYOND THE PURVIEW OF THIS BOARD.

Meiners moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT RELATIVE TO THE BOARD'S INTEREST IN REVIEWING THE PRACTICE OF NOT LICENSING FISHING ON NORTHERN IDAHO'S LARGER LAKES, THAT BOB SALTER BE AUTHORIZED TO INVESTIGATE AND MAKE INQUIRY OF INVOLVED STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES AND PRIVATE OPERATORS OF THE SCOPE AND EXTENT OF THE OPERATION OF THESE PRIVATE OPERATORS AND REPORT TO THE BOARD SO THEY CAN MAKE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE NEED FOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

Outfitter Complaints were reviewed. Salter advised that additional information has been received on the Gerald Richie operation. It was determined that Richie will be advised that he must meet with the Board.

All names with addresses on the hunter list submitted by Lee Nitz will be written to for input on their past season's hunt with Nitz Brothers Outfitters, Inc.

A letter will be written to Archie George that he must meet again with the Board on Fish and Game conviction of January 31, 1984, relative to transferring his elk tag.

A letter will be written to Slickrock Outfitters to put them on notice regarding their advertising of Idaho operation.

Salter left the meeting at 1000 hours.

Randy Berry's violation of boating on Fall river was discussed. Meiners moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT WHEN THE APPLICATIONS FOR TETON VALLEY LODGE, INC. AND RANDY BERRY, MANAGING AGENT, ARE RECEIVED, THAT UPON APPROVAL THEY BE ISSUED ON A PROBATIONARY BASIS WITH WALK AND WADE FISHING ON FALL RIVER DENIED DUE TO VIOLATIONS OF RULES AND REGULATIONS NO. 11 AND NO. 22.c. AND IDAHO CODE 36-2113.(8) AND (14). The motion passed by the four members present.

The hearing officer's recommendations were reviewed, and Vaughn moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT THE BOARD ADOPT THE FINDINGS OF ACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW OF MARK S. TANNER, HEARING OFFICER IN THE K. TODD HILL, MANAGING AGENT, AND SKULL CREEK OUTFITTERS, INC. HEARING FOR REVOCATION OF THEIR OUTFITTER LICENSES.

Following the secretary notifying the Board that she was past her 40 hours overtime allowance each six months without prior Board approval, she was advised that she must keep an account of the time and make this information known to the Board.

Meiners moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT TO CLEAR THE RECORD, THE OVERTIME FOR EDY BE APPROVED TO BE PAID. FURTHER THAT HENCEFORTH THAT OVERTIME BE CLAIMED AND PAID WITHIN THE PERIOD IN WHICH WORKED AND A RECORD BE MAINTAINED AND EDY LET THE BOARD KNOW WHEN SHE'S APPROACHING THE 40-HOUR LIMIT.

Meiners moved, Vaughn seconded and the motion passed THAT IN VIEW OF THE APPARENT WORK LOAD WITHIN THE OFFICE, AND THE NEED FOR CLERICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE HELP, THAT WE CALL FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY REGISTER. THAT PRIOR TO SELECTION, THAT THE SALTER OFFICE ANALYSIS BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD.

Chairman Foster advised that the February minutes will be reviewed for approval at the next meeting.

The following area description was defined for Gary Peters and Tom Wright, the new operators of Bobby Crick's relinquished area:

START AT GOAT LAKE (SEC. 4, T.38N., R.13E., B.M.); THENCE EAST AND NORTH ON TRAIL 508 TO THE IDAHO-MONTANA STATELINE AT CACHE SADDLE; THENCE NORTH AND WEST ON THE STATELINE TO, BUT NOT TO INCLUDE, KID LAKE (SEC. 27, T.40N., R.13E.); THENCE WESTERLY IN A STRAIGHT LINE TO BRUIN HILL; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG HANSON RIDGE ON TRAIL 500 TO ITS JUNCTURE WITH TRAIL 428; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTHERLY ON TRAIL 428 TO ITS JUNCTURE WITH TRAIL 567 AT KELLEY CREEK; THENCE WESTERLY ON TRAIL 567 TO HANSON MEADOWS; THENCE SOUTHERLY ON TRAILS 563 AND 565 TO A POINT IN THE APPROXIMATE CENTER OF SECTION 34, T.39N., R.12E.; THENCE WESTERLY TO BEDROCK CREEK, AND CONTINUING UP THE WEST FORK OF BEDROCK CREEK TO TOBOGGAN HILL; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG TOBOGGAN RIDGE ON ROAD 581 AND TRAIL 513 TO BLACKLEAD MOUNTAIN; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ON TRAILS 513 AND 508 TO GOAT LAKE, THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
(F&G UNIT 10)

The request for an extension to include the upper section of Henry's Fork, Henry's Lake Outlet to St. Anthony, by Thomas O. Webb was noted. Meiners moved, Farr seconded and the motion passed THAT TOM WEBB BE ADVISED THAT AN AREA IS NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE BUT THAT HIS NAME WILL BE MAINTAINED ON THE CONSIDERATION LIST.

There being no further business to be considered at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 1200 hours.



GLEN R. FOSTER, Chairman

ATTEST:



EDYTHE I. BLELE, Secretary