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1. POLICY OF THE AGENCY

2. It is the policy of the Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board that the Agency complies with applicable state statutes regarding the Licensing Procedures.

3. REFERENCES

4. 5F is the activity designation for general fishing and all outfitters must have 5f or some variation of it to be able to fish.

4.01. With all boating outfitters, walk and wade; fishing must be initiated from a boat and cannot be initiated from land unless specifically allowed on their license.

4.02. All land based outfitters must provide walk and wade fishing unless boating is specifically allowed on their license.

5. Land Based Fishing - *Consolidated with policy 2008 – 2004 on 3/3/2015 Adopted April 2004*

5.01. Ordinarily, land based fishing is licensed to land based (Big Game) outfitters as part of their individual operating areas and outfitters with 5f have the land based access to all bodies of water within their operating area with exception of those rivers specified below.

5.02. Land based initiated Walk and Wade fishing will not be licensed on CL-1, CL-2, or CL-3, SS-1, SH-1, SH-2, or SH-3, CF-1.

5.03. Land based initiated Walk and Wade fishing will not be licensed on CDNF, CD-1, CD-2 or CD-3 or SJ-1, SJ-2 SJ-3, SJ-4, except as designated in IDAPA Rule #59.

5.04. There are a number of outfitters licensed for waters to specifically provide land initiated walk and wade fishing and again 5f does not give them the ability to fish from a boat. Where land based outfitters are not licensed then no land based walk and wade fishing opportunities would exist. In these instances, the river based outfitters would have priority to provide walk and wade but it must be initiated from a boat

6. River based Fishing - *Consolidated from policy 2010 – 2005 on 3/3/2015 Adopted April 2004*

6.01. It is Board policy for river based outfitters to provide walk and wade initiated from their boats and it is Board policy to license tributary creeks where possible. Typically, where permissible land-based outfitters have walk and wade access to

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lakes and creeks within or adjoining their operating areas. Land-based outfitters would have priority access to the tributary creeks over river-based outfitters, but in instances where joint use can be reasonably overlapped, it may be permissible and must be specifically licensed for such.

- 6.02. Rivers and lakes have boating designations via IDAPA 25.01.01.059. This rule identifies the number of outfitter licenses available on each licensable river section or on each lake. This same section limits the number of boats in most sections.
7. Salmon River - Boating Outfitters Walk and Wade - *Consolidated from policy 2010 – 2005 on 3/3/2015*
- 7.01. It is Board policy that float and power outfitters on the salmon river drainage shall be considered within their area of operations when hiking from the river or fishing in tributary creeks, not to include overnight, away from the river. Conflicts with land-based operators will be handled on a case-by-case basis. See Board minutes Feb.25-27 2003
- 7.02. Land-based outfitters would have priority access to the tributary creeks over river-based outfitters, but in instances where joint use can be reasonably overlapped, it may be permissible.
8. Lower Salmon River & Lower Snake Boater Policy - *Consolidated from policy 2018 – 2005 on 3/3/2015 Adopted from a letter dated 5/4/05 from the BLM.*
- 8.01. There has been some concern over which activities licensed Lower Salmon River outfitters can pursue on the Snake River between the mouth of the Salmon and Heller Bar on the Snake. BLM, U.S. Forest Service (FS) Hells Canyon National Recreation Area, Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board staff, and various outfitters have held numerous discussions to address these concerns. The BLM has worked with the IOGLB to further define authorized activities, and have agreed to the following policies, which will apply to the FS administered stretch of the Snake River from the Salmon River confluence to the HCNRA boundary:
- 8.01.1 Float outfitters who begin their trips on the Lower Salmon River can continue to pursue the secondary activities (e.g. fishing, chukar hunting) for which they are licensed by the IOGLB and authorized by the BLM or Forest Service, so long as it is part of their primary activity, (float boating) between the Salmon River confluence and the northern HCNRA boundary ;
- 8.01.2A Lower Salmon River commercial power boat authorization does not permit

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any use of the Snake River unless that the Permittee holds an authorization issued from the USFS for the Snake River.

8.02. In addition, to better address coordinated management of recreational use on the two rivers, all BLM Salmon River permittees are encouraged to avoid overnight camping within the first three miles of the Snake River below the confluence. This measure is aimed at reducing congestion in that stretch of river, and is part of the Snake River Management Plan.

8.03. The Snake River down river from the Hells Canyon National Recreation area boundary is outside jurisdiction of the BLM and the USFS Districts outfitter licensed for that lower section are able to operate without a federal permit.

9. Limits or Restrictions for Boating on SA4A and SA4B:

9.01. Director Howard explained that at the June 2013 Board meeting that there are 2 (two) outfitters who operate power boat outfitter businesses on the SA4A and no (0) power boat outfitter businesses licensed on SA4B. He said that both were also licensed on the lower sections of Salmon River and that their use on SA4 was minimal. The Board determined that as of June 17, 2013 there were 2 (two) outfitters who operate power boat outfitter businesses on the SA4A and none providing power boating on SA4B and from this point forward, not to fill power vacancies on either section. See minutes.

10. Rivers & Lakes requiring or not requiring a prospectus:

10.01. Rivers, lake and reservoirs available for unsolicited applications where analysis is not immediately needed are: SN 2, SN 3, SN 4, SN 5, SN 6, SN 7, SN 8, SN 9, SN 10, SN11, BL2, CF1, NFCL, PR1, SA4A, PO1, PR1, American Falls Reservoir, Anderson Ranch Reservoir, Blackfoot Reservoir, CJ Strike Reservoir, Palisades Reservoir, Magic Reservoir, Mormon Reservoir.

10.02. All other rivers, lakes, and reservoirs require analysis and are filled through prospectus at the direction of the Board. See June 2009 minutes

11. Non-Outfitted Rivers & Lakes:

11.01. South Fork of the Boise River, Middle Fork of the Payette River, the Little Salmon River, the South Fork Salmon River, the South Fork of the Clearwater River, and the Bear River. See June 2009 minutes.