

Idaho State Bowhunters (ISB) Newsletter (January 2021)
From the Desk of the President, Scott Schmid



This newsletter is to bring everyone up to speed on the issues that ISB is currently working on:

- The following positions are up for election this year:
 - President
 - Secretary
- We are considering adding a handicap/wheelchair accessible 20 target range along the creek at Jamboree where camping is no longer allowed, input on this to gauge the amount of interest would be greatly appreciated.
- A proposal has passed on Pronghorn controlled hunts which will require you to wait one year if drawn before you can put in for another controlled hunt for that species. This does not apply to Unlimited draw hunts. ISB provided input and did not support this change.
- ISB is working with IDFG to attempt to develop Handicap Accessible hunts on Private land that is generally not open to hunting. Funding for powered chairs is being worked on with Fish and Game.
- The Shoot Card for 2021 is out! Click this link: [2021 Shoot Card](#) or go to the ISB Website and look for “Upcoming Archery Shoots”.
- Due to maintenance costs on the current Boise River WMA 3D range (in the Foot Hills above Lucky Peak Dam) there will not be a second range for now. Why are the maintenance costs so high? The answer is that, people are shooting broadheads into targets which, as we all know destroys the targets very quickly. So, instead of using funds to set up a second range that money has to go into replacing inserts and targets. Add to this that targets are difficult to acquire right now, due to Covid restrictions and you can see what the challenges are. If the practice of shooting broadheads into targets does not stop, the range will be gone! If you see someone doing this, please, politely remind them that it is a “field point only range”!

- Staying on the topic of 3D Ranges, ISB is working with IDFG and Idaho Parks and Rec to develop a 3D Range at Eagle Island State Park. A Grant in the amount of \$10k has been applied for to conduct the state required feasibility study.
- Due to a large amount of requests for a shooting facility in the panhandle area, we are looking into several options, one of which is an indoor range at Farragut State park.