



The Twenty-Ninth Annual East Idaho Fly Tying and Fly Fishing Exposition and Banquet

Fly Tying, Fishing and Family Fun...



BANQUET PROGRAM

February 15th, 2025



Welcome to the Twenty-Ninth Annual
East Idaho Fly Tying & Fly Fishing Banquet!!!

A Celebration of Fly Tying & Fishing

The Snake River Cutthroats are proud to present the 2025 Banquet / Auction. By hosting the Banquet we hope to achieve multiple purposes, including an enjoyable dinner and a fun evening. Our primary objective is to raise funds that support education programs and our conservation projects to benefit the fisheries of Eastern Idaho. Thanks to your support at past Expo Banquets, the Cutthroats have contributed \$522,515 to conservation projects and education programs in our region. Conservation projects have received the bulk of these funds, with \$465,227 dedicated to Trout Unlimited's programs on the South Fork, tributaries of the South Fork, and the Blackfoot River. Other local conservation partners that have benefitted from Expo funds include the Teton Regional Land Trust, ID Department of Fish & Game, Caribou-Targhee National Forest, Friends of the Teton River, Southeast Idaho Fly Fishers, the Henry's Fork Foundation and the South Fork Initiative. In a long-standing, 30-year partnership with the Salmon National Forest, the Cutthroats have also contributed sweat equity to a multitude of projects on Salmon River tributaries.

The chapter also conducts many fly-fishing education programs and classes in fly tying, casting, rod building and we recently established a vibrant youth program. We need volunteers to help with these programs as well as a lot of other activities. These programs and projects provide a great way to meet like-minded people who share a love of fishing. So if you are interested, please keep an eye on our website for activities or contact a Snake River Cutthroat officer to join our efforts.

We are pleased to have you with us here tonight and hope you enjoy a pleasant evening. Consider supporting our conservation and education efforts by purchasing raffle tickets, and bidding on live and silent auction items. The trout will love you for it and you will have the added satisfaction of knowing you are giving something back to the fisheries that have given so much to you.

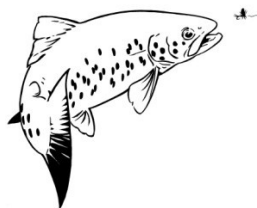


Banquet Schedule

- 5:00 pm Social Hour – Conference Center Foyer - No host bar
General Raffle Begins
- 5:30 pm Banquet Doors Open - Silent Auction and Ladies Raffles Begin
- 6:15 pm Welcome & Introduction - Master of Ceremonies, Dave Pace,
Invocation
- 6:30 pm Dinner is served
- 7:15 pm Awards and Games
Youth Rod Drawing (Sponsored by Westmark)
Quilt Drawing
Rod Board Drawings
Scadden Boat Drawing
Henry's Fork Trip Drawing
St. Croix Rod Drawing
Silent Auction closed
Premium Raffle Drawing
Bull Trout/Sturgeon Package Rod Drawing
General Raffles closed
- 8:00 pm Live Auction begins - Auctioneer, Rusty Trzpuć
- 10:00 pm Live Auction ends

At the end of the festivities, don't forget to pick up and pay for your auction items, check the postings in the lobby and pick up any raffle items that you've won.

Thank you one and all for supporting the East Idaho Fly Tying Expo! We look forward to seeing you next year. Mark your calendar – luckily back to our old time slot, on March 27 - 28, 2026.





Have Fun with the following Auctions and Raffles



Silent Auction: It will be hard to resist these 30 quality items, including quality stocked fly boxes, artwork, books and other miscellaneous fly fishing stuff. The bidding opens during the Banquet social hour and closes before the Live Auction. Minimum bid and bid increments are listed on the bid sheets. Your banquet ticket number is your bidder's number.

Premium Raffle: This is the premiere raffle of the evening, with ten high quality items. These tickets are included in all of the ticket packages sold and can be purchased individually for \$10 each in the banquet lobby. *Tickets must be deposited in the drum by 7:30 pm.* Prizes are selected in the order drawn, which will be done just before the Live Auction begins. You must be present to win.

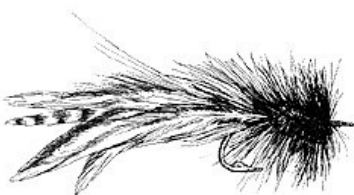
Rod and Reel "Bingo Board" Raffles: With this "Bingo Board" or "Football Pool" style raffle you purchase a chance by selecting a square on a pre-numbered board, with each square selling for \$25. The board has 10 high end fly rods, all totaling over \$6,200 in value. You need not be present to win.

General Rainey Creek Raffle: This raffle is located in the banquet room lobby. This features 80 items of all kinds and different values from rods to camping gear, along with a large selection of flies. These tickets are included in your ticket packages and can also be purchased during the Banquet festivities in the lobby. Winners will be posted in the banquet room lobby during the Live Auction. You must be present to win.

Ladies Raffle: This raffle is located in the banquet room lobby and has something for everybody. Fishermen and women, non-fishing partners, and even the kids are bound to find something fun. Winners will be posted in the banquet room lobby during the Live Auction.

Dave Scadden Slash Backcountry Pro Float Tube: This year our boat raffle is featuring the amazing Dave Scadden, brand new for 2025, Slash Backcountry Pro float tube package. Dave's exclusive low profile, quad pontoon design, defies the wind and offers unparalleled performance across the water. It is agile, sleek and fast. The rigid inflated bench seat provides an elevated platform that keeps you up out of the water. Each chance to win is a playing card that can be purchased for \$20 from a roving salesperson. We keep half of the card, and you keep half. Two decks are being sold and you can purchase as many cards as you like. The lucky winning card will be drawn before the beginning of the Live Auction.

Guided Float Trip with Henry's Fork Anglers: This raffle gives you an opportunity to win a guided day fishing for two people with the experts at Henry's Fork Anglers. They will host you on any of the waters they guide on, which includes the Henry's Fork, South Fork, Teton River, Henry's Lake, Island Park Reservoir (all in Idaho), along with the Madison River and Hebgen Lake in Montana. This is a \$725 value. The trip is subject to their availability and must be taken in the 2025 season. Each chance to win can be purchased for \$10 with only 100 chances being sold. Get your tickets from a roving salesperson. Go ahead and purchase several to increase your chances of winning this great item. The lucky winner will be drawn before the beginning of the Live Auction. You need not be present to win.





Live Auction List



Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, we are able to offer a wide range of high-quality fly fishing and fly tying items, artwork, and fishing experiences in our highly anticipated Live Auction. Rarely do you find such a tempting mix in one setting! All of the proceeds benefit our local conservation and education efforts, so please dig deep, bid high, and have some fun!

TRIP NOTICE: All trips MUST be taken in the 2025 fishing season.

1. Bing Lempke Fly Plate

This plate contains a dozen beautiful flies tied by Bing Lempke, himself. Bing was an Idaho pioneer in fly tying. He had a very early keen interest in aquatic entomology, which he used as a basis for his fly designs. He enjoyed sharing his knowledge with anyone interested and through that gift passed on his legacy to many. In 1988 he was the recipient of the prestigious Federation of Fly Fishers' Buz Buszek Memorial Award for fly tying. Don't miss your chance to take home some beautiful creations from an Idaho legend in fly tying.

2. South Fork Lodge Main Snake Trip

Here's your chance to sample what the Main Snake has to offer. The trip will be with a veteran guide from the South Fork Lodge. You can choose any section from Idaho Falls all the way down to Massacre Rocks State Park. You will enjoy a variety of angling opportunities here. The cottonwood forest above American Falls Reservoir shelters truly amazing brown trout and plentiful rainbows. The bed rock shelves and deep runs below American Falls Reservoir host trophy rainbows and impressive smallmouth bass. This trip will show you there's more to our area than just the South Fork. The trip is for TWO anglers for ONE day. Booking dates are based upon availability and the trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



3. Collectors Stamp Fly Plate by Marvin Nolte

In 1991 the US Post Office released a collector's stamp selection commemorating fly tying. The set included a Royal Wulff, Jock Scott, Apte Tarpon Fly, Lefty's Deceiver and a Muddler Minnow. The stamps are framed here along with an amazing reproduction of each fly by the very talented Marvin Nolte. Very few tiers have the skill to create such a wide array of patterns. Marvin Nolte is one of the most renowned of Atlantic Salmon Fly dressers. His immaculate dressings of classic patterns grace numerous books and other media as well as private collections. Tiers from around the world call on him to conduct workshops on dressing these exquisite and difficult patterns and he is in the forefront of those enthusiasts that preserve the art of these flies. Don't miss this opportunity to take home a unique piece of history.



4. Drift Lodge Yellowstone Walk & Wade with Cabin Overnight

If you have always been interested in trying out the fishing in Yellowstone National Park, then this is your chance to let Mike Wilson with the Drift Lodge & Fly Shop, show you the ropes. Mike has been fishing the Park for years and knows the area well. After spending the day fishing with Mike you can relax in one of their cozy cabins for the night while you replay all the memories you've made. The day of fishing is for up to FOUR anglers and the cabin can sleep up to FOUR people. Booking dates are based upon availability and the trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



5. Tying Update and Organization Kit

Tired of your worn out boring vise and not being able to find your tying stuff when you want? Then this item is for you. The kit contains a beautiful blacked out Renzetti Traveler vise to give your tying bench some style. To help you keep your tools and materials organized, both at home and on the road, we have included the wildly popular Fishpond Tailwater Fly Tying Kit. To tame your hook assortment we have also included a 6 drawer magnetic hook holder. Don't miss this chance to upgrade and organize your tying world, all in one fell swoop.

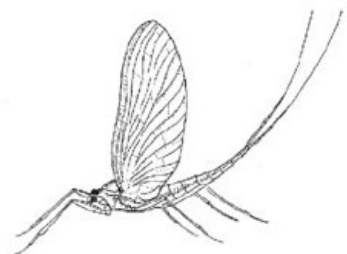
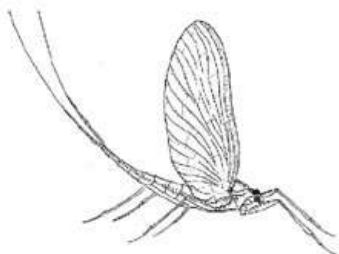
6. The Lodge at Palisades Creek Guided Trip and Lodge Package

Enjoy a special day on the fabled South Fork of the Snake River with one of the Lodge's expert guides. After a successful day on the water relax with a wonderful dinner and cocktails and enjoy a night's stay in one of their luxurious riverside log cabins. The next morning they will fuel you up with a delightful breakfast before you head on your way with numerous memories guaranteed to last a lifetime. Package is for TWO people and includes ONE day guided fishing, ONE night's stay in a cabin, dinner and breakfast. Booking dates are based upon availability, so plan ahead. Trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



7. Hexagon Fire Pit by MackMade Wood & Steel Creations

This unique fishing-themed hexagonal fire pit is sure to warm up any backyard and is created right here in Shelley Idaho by the locally owned and operated MackMade. Their art speaks for itself. The ring features a beautiful outdoor fishing scene cut into the six steel panels making up the ring. The twinkle of the fire within will bring the scene to life. Don't miss your chance to take home a backyard centerpiece that will have you roasting marshmallows with the family and friends for years.



8. Madison River & Campfire Lodge Trip (Aug 22nd & 23rd 2025)

Tired of fishing the South Fork, but don't have time for an extended trip to a faraway destination? Why not just drive over the hill and treat yourself the complete Madison River experience. The package includes a relaxing night stay at the wonderful Campfire Lodge located between Hegben and Slide Lakes right on the banks of the Madison. The next morning you will be treated to a hearty breakfast and venture off to fish the Madison with veteran guide Dave Bess. After a rewarding day of catching many feisty rainbows and enjoying some amazing scenery you will enjoy a 2nd night's stay at the Lodge. The following morning you will enjoy another wonderful breakfast before heading home with many memories of your trip. The trip is for TWO anglers and includes TWO nights lodging, TWO breakfasts and ONE day of guided fishing with Dave Bess. (Guided day donated by Dave Bess). The dates of this trip are FIXED as August 22nd and 23rd, so make sure your calendar is free.

9. Atlantic Salmon Fly Display by Satoshi Yamamoto

The Salmon Fly was a book first published by George Mortimer Kelson in 1895. The book shared many of the popular Atlantic Salmon Fly patterns of that historic era. Recreated here is Plate 3 from the book featuring six wonderfully dressed versions of The Dirty Orange, The Dawson, The Durham Ranger, Benchill, Taite's Fancy, and last but not least, The Wilson. Satoshi is an artist with the vise and bobbin and his creations are truly amazing. He is a guide in the South Western Montana area and ties some amazing flies in the off season. Don't miss your change to take home a modern recreation of some historic Atlantic Salmon Flies.

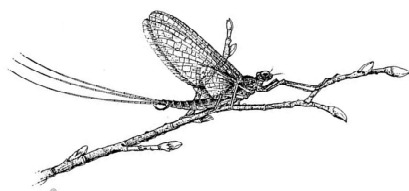
10. Main Snake Guided Trip

Here's your chance to sample what the Main Snake has to offer. The trip will be with David Raisch, owner of Hawgfish Fly Tying and guide for the Lodge at Palisades Creek. You can choose any section from Idaho Falls all the way down to Massacre Rocks State Park. The river above American Falls Reservoir is home to truly amazing brown trout and plentiful rainbows. Below American Falls Reservoir, the river hosts trophy rainbows and impressive small mouth bass. This trip will show you there's more to our area than just the South Fork. The trip is for TWO anglers for ONE day. Booking dates are based upon availability and the trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



11. Apex Brown Trout Sculpture by Blue Ribbon Fish Carvers

Carved by Gaylen Ware with Blue Ribbon Fish Carvers from Payson, Utah, this brown trout looks amazing. It seems like it is just hanging in thin air pausing to check out your living room before swimming off. Don't miss your chance have this beautiful fish swimming in your home.



12. Trophy Smallmouth Fishing on CJ Strike Reservoir

Getting tired of just catching trout? Expand your fishing horizons to include one of the strongest warm water species around – Smallmouth Bass. These bad boys will put those wimpy trout to shame and make you wish you had brought a heavier rod. In Southern Idaho, CJ Strike is THE place to fish for trophy bass and local expert Tim Parrish with Hammett Valley Fishing Adventures knows it well. Join Tim aboard his fully equipped bass boat and see what this bassin business is all about. TWO days are available. The purchaser may choose to take just one day for the bid price or make it an extended trip, taking both days for double the bid price. If the first winning bidder opts for a single day, the second day will be auctioned separately. Trip is for TWO fly or spin anglers, lunch and flies are NOT included. Booking dates are based upon availability and the trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



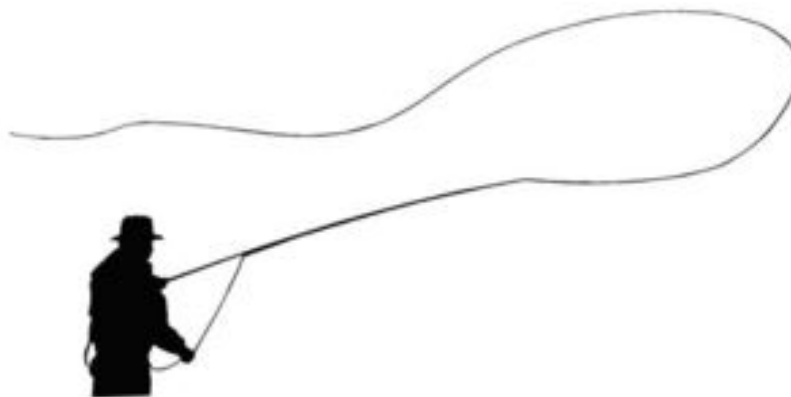
13. House of Harrop Fly Plate

A family business born on the banks of the Henry's Fork in 1968, the House of Harrop has been supplying custom flies to discerning customers for decades. René and his family specialize in designing and producing highly effective patterns for difficult fish. This fly plate showcases twelve of their most productive and popular patterns. All the flies were tied by the House of Harrop tribe. The piece was beautifully framed and donated by longtime admirer, Hal Gordon. Don't miss your chance to take home an amazing set of patterns from an even more amazing family.



14. Madison River with The Slide Inn

Always wanted to try out the Madison River and its famed rainbows and browns, but been unsure about tackling the 60 mile riffle? Why not do it in style with the Slide Inn. Begin this epic trip with a leisurely driving tour and then sleep stream side on the Madison, just upstream from Reynolds Bridge at the famous Slide Inn operated by the original, Kelly Galloup. After a good night's sleep, explore the wonders the Madison has to offer under the expert guidance of one of Kelly's veteran guides. No need to rush off after a rewarding day of fishing, as this trip includes a second night at the Slide Inn so you can recover your worn out casting arm. The trip is for TWO anglers and includes TWO nights lodging, and ONE guided day fishing. The trip is good for the 2025 season, EXCEPT for the blackout window from June 24th to July 15th. Don't miss your chance learn a few of the secrets that the Madison has to offer.



15. Driftboat Accessory Upgrade

Tired of your worn-out net, equipment rattling around your feet in water in the bottom of your boat, and a warm, squished sandwich for lunch? This package will put you back into the high life with all the drift boat accessories you've always wished you had. The package includes a Yeti Tundra 45 hard Cooler, which is guaranteed to keep all of your favorite snacks and beverages cool, even on those scorcher days when a cool refreshment can be a lifesaver. Get rid of that old worn out aluminum net, and upgrade with a custom handmade wooden boat net by Snake River Net Co. While netting your fish, you will find it hard to decide where you should admire your catch or the net. To help keep all your fishing gear organized, we are also including a top of the line Yeti Loadout GoBox. To keep your tools from getting lost in your boat, the package also includes a magnetic boat tool holder from Cling. To top it all off, you can stop straining to retrieve your anchor by adding an Easy-Pull pulley to your anchor system. Don't miss this opportunity to upgrade all your drift boat accessories, hit the river in style and start enjoying the pampered life.

16. Four Hosts / Four Trips

Back by popular demand! Here's an opportunity to spend a day of fishing, enlightenment, or just 'B.S.ing' with some of the area's most "renowned" fishermen. The trips are all for TWO people, based upon availability in the 2025 season. You and a friend will get to spend an entire day with each of these local experts, fishing some of their favorite local waters. They're even throwing in lunch for you! This year, the following local legends have signed up for the fun:

Jimmy Gabettas – Float fishing for smallmouth bass on the Lower Snake River

Todd Lanning – Float or wade fishing on the Henry's Fork

John Stenersen – Mystery trip close to home

Mike Towler – South Fork riffle hunting in a small jet boat

17. Entry Table by MackMade Wood & Steel Creations

The ultimate in rustic chic decor, this fishing themed wood and steel entry table is sure to brighten your home. This beautiful piece is created right here in Shelley Idaho by the locally owned and operated MackMade. Their art speaks for itself. The artistic stout steel foundation and thick wood top demonstrate their well-built nature. Don't miss your chance to take home a wonderful new addition to your home décor.



18. WorldCast Anglers South Fork Canyon Overnight Trip

Enjoy a unique two day getaway on the South Fork of the Snake River with an expert guide from WorldCast Anglers. Spend your first day fishing the upper canyon chasing wiley cutties in the beautiful canyon setting. In the evening you will arrive at WorldCast's luxurious Cottonwood Camp where you will enjoy a mouth-watering meal prepared by their streamside camp chef. Complementary wine and beer are stocked at camp and hors d'oeuvres will be waiting while the guide gets you acquainted with your own cozy and private wall tent complete with sleeping bags, cots, carpet, and wash towels. The next morning after a hearty breakfast you will enjoy the 16 mile float out of the canyon, fishing the many braided channels. Package is for TWO people and includes TWO days guided fishing, ONE night's stay in the canyon riverside camp, breakfast, lunches and dinner. Booking dates are based upon availability, so plan ahead. Trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



19. South Fork Lodge Dinner & Lodging Package

Located right on the banks of the South Fork of the Snake River in beautiful Conant Valley, the South Fork Lodge offers luxurious accommodations and dining second to none in the area. The package is for those who prefer to guide themselves during the day and would like to treat themselves after a long day on the river. The package includes a gourmet dinner for two, a night's stay in the luxurious lodge followed by breakfast for two. Booking dates are based upon availability and the trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



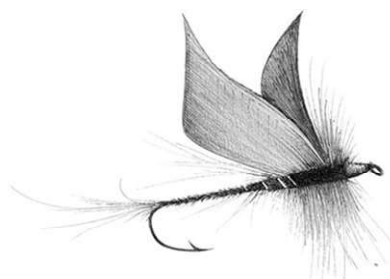
20. Lightning Strike Dagger Pro Boat and Eagle Ridge Ranch Package

This package features one of Dave Scadden's new Lightning Strike Dagger Pro frameless pontoon boats. The boat is 9 ft long with a weight capacity of 1,000 lbs, yet it only weighs 28 lbs - big capacity and lightweight, all in one sleek package. The boat features a spacious layout, elevated oar stands, coupled with his exclusive rigid inflatable "flight deck" platforms front and rear plus his rigid inflated "air pad" oar lock system, and is completely frameless. This all adds up to one awesome lake fishing pontoon boat that will also be right at home on many rivers. Of course you will need a spot to try out your new toy and where better than on the private waters of Sheridan Reservoir and Creek? Eagle Ridge Ranch is throwing in one evening (after 5:00 pm) and one full day of fishing for two people on this fabulous private reservoir that offers trout up to 27 inches, along with private access to five miles of Sheridan Creek. After a long day of catching fish, you'll be treated to one night's lodging in one of Eagle Ridge's comfy cabins. With this fantastic package, you get a truly incredible boat, access to some awesome private fishing to break it in, all topped off with a relaxing night in a wonderful cabin - who could ask for more? Trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



21. TroutHunter Guided Trip and Lodge Package

This is your chance for a wonderful trip on the world famous Henry's Fork! The package includes two full days of guided fishing. After your first fulfilling day of fishing, you can relax and enjoy a wonderful evening dinner and night's stay at the TroutHunter Lodge, sleeping right on the banks of the Henry's Fork. The next day you will enjoy a second day of guided fishing, stalking wily Henry's Fork rainbows under the direction of one of TroutHunter's experienced guides and a second night's stay. Package is for TWO people and includes TWO full days guided fishing, TWO night's stay in the Lodge, and a \$100 credit for dinner. Booking dates are based upon availability, so plan ahead. Trip must be taken in the 2025 season.



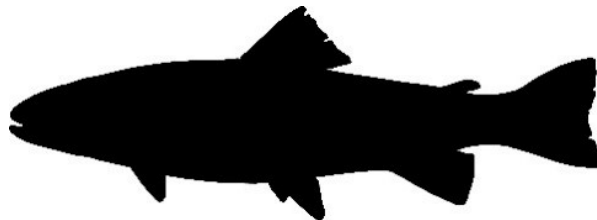
22. 2025 ClackaCraft 16' Eddy 360

Quick and maneuverable with exceptional holding ability, the Eddy has quickly become a favorite among guides in the intermountain west and beyond. Adapted from their widely popular 16' LP hull, the Eddy's wider transom improves back-end weight capacity and back-rowing, while its larger chine radius slides across seams and crabs like a dream. The 360 interior provides a wide open space for anglers and guides who need a little more room to work and features a walk-around rower's box instead of the standard bench, allowing for better mobility and offering plenty of space for gear bags and coolers. It safely stores 6 assembled rods and includes our stout walk-around rear casting brace. So get up and net that fish; the 360 has you covered from all angles.



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\$522,515

From 2002 to 2024

Conservation: \$465,227
(2024: \$40,317)

Support for Trout Unlimited including:
South Fork and Blackfoot Home River Initiatives, including tributaries: Garden, Pritchard, Palisades, Rainey, and Tincup Creeks

Support for ID Dept. of Fish & Game & Other Conservation Organizations, including:

- Caribou-Targhee National Forest
- Henry's Fork Foundation
- Southeast ID Fly Fishers
- Teton Regional Land Trust
- Friends of Teton River
- Idaho Master Naturalists

SRC Volunteer Labor Also Supports:
(2024: 797 hrs)

Instream Restoration, Fencing Riparian Areas, Willow Planting, and Cleaning Fish Screens

Education: \$57,287
(2024: \$33,933)

U of I Scholarship, Youth Programs and Projects, Mayfly Project, Trout in a Class Room, Fly Tying, Casting, Entomology and Rod Building Classes



Diamond Creek Canal Fish Screen Install



3rd Creek Tree Planting



Travis Weeks Diversion Canal Fish Screen Install on Rainey Creek



Tree Planting on Rainey Creek



Building In-Stream Structures: Canyon Creek, Lemhi R. Tributary



Youth Activities: Sheep Cr. Willow Planting, Blackfoot River Drainage



Protecting Riparian Areas: Little Springs, Lemhi River Drainage



Biannual Roadside Cleanup Swan Valley



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