

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF IDAHO
BOISE**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2011-09

THE GOVERNOR'S ROADLESS RULE IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Idaho's 250 inventoried roadless areas comprise approximately 9.3 million acres in 12 national forests across Idaho; and

WHEREAS, Idaho has more inventoried roadless acres than any other state in the coterminous forty-eight; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's inventoried roadless areas provide pristine habitat for protected species and a significant benefit to Idaho's economy; and

WHEREAS, Idaho roadless areas provide excellent recreational opportunities for hunters, fishermen and outdoor enthusiasts, as well as a significant source for drinking and irrigation water throughout the Northwest; and

WHEREAS; Idaho counties, communities and interested parties provided input during the drafting of management recommendations for inventoried roadless areas in Idaho; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the State of Idaho do hereby order the following:

- 1. The creation of the Governor's Roadless Rule Implementation Commission (Commission).*
- 2. The members of the Commission shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor through calendar year 2013.*
 - i. The Commission shall be composed of 15 members, representing the various geographic areas of the State.*
 - ii. Commission members shall be appointed from the following three categories:*
 - 1. Five individuals who:*
 - a. Participated as a member of the Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee (RACNAC); or*
 - b. Represent developed outdoor recreation, off highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities; or*
 - c. Represent energy or mineral development interests; or*
 - d. Represent the commercial timber industry; or*
 - e. Hold federal a grazing permit or other federal land use permits.*
 - 2. Five individuals representing:*
 - a. A nationally, regionally or locally recognized environmental organization; or*
 - b. Dispersed recreational activities; or*
 - c. Archaeological and historical interest; or*

- d. *Nationally or regionally recognized wildlife or sportsmen's interest groups.*
- 3. *Five individuals who:*
 - a. *Hold State elected office or their designee; or*
 - b. *Hold county or local elected office; or*
 - c. *Represent an American Indian Tribe within the State of Idaho; or*
 - d. *Represent the public at large.*
- iii. *The Chair and Vice Chair of the Commission shall be selected by a majority vote of the members. The chair and vice chair shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Vacancies in the chair or vice chair shall be filled by a majority vote of the commission at the next meeting.*
- 3. *The Commission shall, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture and Tribes of Idaho ensure the implementation of the Inventoried Roadless Area Rule for Idaho.*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 19th day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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