

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF IDAHO
BOISE**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2015-01

ESTABLISHING AN IDAHO MILITARY ADVOCACY COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Idaho proudly supports the military; and

WHEREAS, strong military communities in Idaho help grow our economy while providing a strong defense for the nation and our state; and

WHEREAS, Mountain Home Air Force Base (AFB) and the Idaho National Guard, with their vast training areas are uniquely positioned to meet current and future military needs of our country; and

WHEREAS, Mountain Home AFB and Gowen Field contain modern military facilities and have the capacity to further expand;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Idaho do hereby order the creation of the "Idaho Military Advocacy Commission" (IMAC).

1. *The IMAC will:*

- a. Advocate for maintenance and growth of U.S. Department of Defense platforms in Idaho in order to improve training and operational abilities and readiness at military installations for national defense while collaterally creating more career and economic opportunities for Idaho communities;*
- b. Encourage, support and facilitate collaboration between the State of Idaho, regional advocacy organizations within the state, counties, cities and the federal government toward improving public awareness, operational viability and prospective additional functionality of military installations both existing and proposed; and*
- c. Form subcommittees to research, identify and report on opportunities to leverage the strengths, functionalities and proven operational advantages of military installations in Idaho.*

2. *The duties of the IMAC are solely advisory in nature.*

3. *The members of the IMAC will be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Membership will include, but is not limited to, representatives from:*

- a. The Office of the Governor;*
- b. The Office of each of Idaho's U.S. Senators;*
- c. The Office of each of Idaho's U.S. House of Representatives;*
- d. The Office of the Lieutenant Governor;*
- e. One member of the Idaho Senate;*
- f. One member of the Idaho House of Representatives;*
- g. The Idaho National Guard; and*
- h. Six members of the public.*

4. *Members of the IMAC shall not receive compensation for their services.*

5. *The IMAC may request consultation, information and technical expertise from local units of government, directors or their designees of State of Idaho agencies, federal agencies, and members*

of the public.

6. All Executive Branch departments, agencies, boards and commissions shall fully cooperate with this commission in carrying out the mandates of the Executive Order and shall provide staff support and other assistance as directed by the Governor.



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 25th day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-fifth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. 'Butch' Otter".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lawrence Denney".

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE