

### The Forest...

- Over 3 million acres in southeastern Idaho, western Wyoming and northern Utah
- We are an integral and important part of the 20-million-acre Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem
- We are a "working" forest that exemplifies multiple use management outdoor recreation, range, timber, watershed, fish and wildlife

## Where you can find us...

Palisades Ranger District – Idaho Falls (Yellowstone Hwy.)

Ashton-Island Park Ranger District

Teton Basin Ranger District

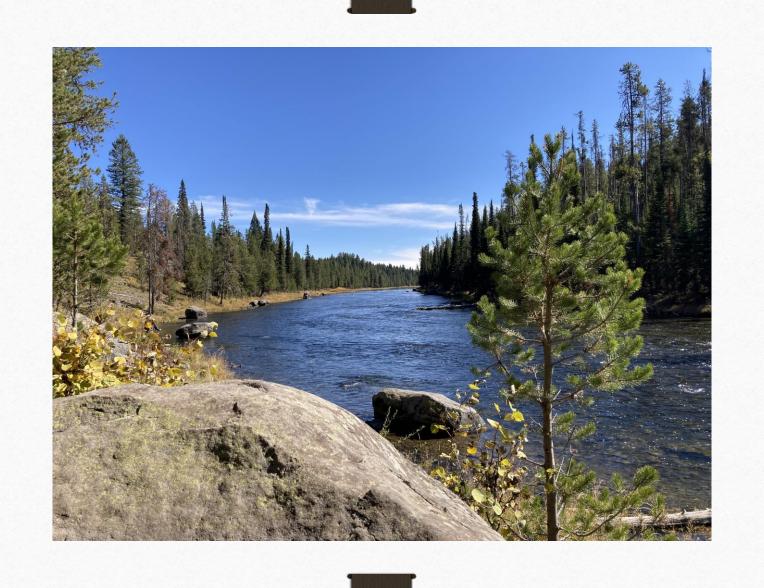
Dubois Ranger District

Westside Ranger District

Soda Springs Ranger District

Montpelier Ranger District

Supervisor's Office – Idaho Falls (Hollipark Dr.)



### A few stats...

**People** – We employee 300-350 people in a wide range of disciplines. This includes permanent and seasonal positions.

**Budget** – Around \$20M in annually appropriated funds. We also bring in around \$1-3M in grants and other funds and approx. \$1M in volunteer labor.

**Economic Benefits** – The forest supports various industries including but not limited to timber harvest, mining, livestock production, and year-round recreation opportunities that support local and regional travel and tourism businesses.

# Meshing Local, Regional & National Priorities

- Accomplishing work to improve forest and grassland conditions and support the local, regional, and national economy
- Investing and focusing on relationships Tribes, partners, cooperators, communities, volunteers and youth
- Supporting regional and national goals related to reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire and responding to wildland fires across the US
- Hiring recruitment and retention developing our workforce

#### **Tentative 2024 Forest Priorities**

- Cultivating and maintaining relationships Tribes, partners, cooperators, community leaders, and internally
- Great American Outdoor Act planning and implementation
- Preparatory work for future forest plan revision
- Annual ongoing forest operations and project planning (including fuels reduction and vegetation management)
- Maintaining a high-quality work environment where employees can excel



1994 – Forest Service Volunteer



## Why is all this important?

- For me it's important that my values align with the work I do
- As an agency our focus is on conservation conserving resources for use by present and future generations long-term sustainability
- And...service to the American public, the Tribes, our communities and our customers
- It all goes back to the mission statement and our agency motto...

"Caring for the land and serving people"



Questions?