

Idaho City Ranger District



The Idaho City Ranger District (RD) is just over 400,000 acres in size, ranging from open foothills along the Payette River on the western border of the District to the beautiful and infamous Sawtooth Mountains on the eastern portion. Elevations range from 3200 to 8800 feet. The climate is generally dry with plentiful sunshine year around. Annual precipitation in Idaho City is approximately 15 inches, with most of it occurring as snowfall. Winter temperatures range from a high of 35-40 degrees F, to lows just above zero.

Summer temperatures range from a high of 80's to the upper 90's, to lows in the 40's.

The District receives high visibility due to its close proximity to Boise, the capitol city of Idaho. Several beautiful pristine rivers flow through the District offering some of the best strongholds of bull trout habitat in SW Idaho.

Trails for hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, and motorized activities are abundant and provide for numerous opportunities in the mild season. With relatively heavy snows and long winters, the District is a destination for many cross country skiers and snowmobilers with abundant ski and snowmobile trails.

Make sure you take plenty of water, sunscreen, bug spray, appropriate clothing, on some trails you may need an ax, and a map or GPS unit. You may purchase a map at the Idaho City RD. Cell phone use is very limited.

For more detailed recreation information click on the specific activity.

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