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GOVERNOR APPOINTS NEW MEMBER TO IDAHO PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Seeks Applications for New Parks and Recreation Board Vacancy

(BOISE) - Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter today announced the appointment of Gordon Hansen of Burley to the Idaho Parks and Recreation Board. Hansen is filling the vacancy of Charles Correll who served on the Board since 2012 and resigned in January. Hansen, who owns and operates Idaho Water Sports in Burley and Nampa, will serve on the Board as the representative from District 4.

"Gordon's commitment and passion for outdoor recreation will make him a great addition to the Parks and Recreation Board," said Governor Otter.

The Idaho Parks and Recreation Board provides citizen oversight for the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR). Board members are appointed to six-year terms. No more than three members can be from a single party, and each member represents one of six districts of the state. The Board appoints and supervises the agency director.

"I am grateful that Governor Otter has chosen me for this appointment and I look forward to working with the other Board members and the department to promote great outdoor recreation opportunities for Idahoans," said Hansen.

IDPR manages 30 State parks throughout every region of Idaho and the registration programs for boats, snowmobiles and other off-highway vehicles (OHV). Money from these registration programs return to users to develop and maintain trails, facilities and programs. IDPR also provides free education courses for boaters and OHV operators.

Governor Otter is also accepting applications to fill a new vacancy on the six-member board representing southwest Idaho's District 3.

Susan Buxton of Boise stepped down from the Board when she was appointed by Governor Otter to administrator of the Division of Human Resources in March.

Applicants for the Board vacancy must reside in District 3 which consists of the counties of Adams, Valley, Washington, Payette, Gem, Boise, Canyon, Ada, Elmore and Owyhee.

Anyone interested may contact Ann Beebe in the Governor's office at 208-334-2100 or by email at ann.beebe@gov.idaho.gov. Applications via email must be received by the Governor's office by May 6, or postmarked by May 6 if sent by regular mail.

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