

Part I – Agency Profile

Agency Overview

The Idaho Legislature created the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) in 1919 to assist and regulate the state's fast-growing agricultural industry. The primary purposes for establishment were to protect Idaho's crops and livestock from the introduction and spread of pests and transmittable diseases, to help provide the industry with a system for the orderly marketing of agricultural commodities, and to protect consumers from contaminated products or fraudulent marketing practices. These purposes still drive the department today.

The department derives its statutory authority from multiple sections of the Idaho Code. Section 22-101 creates the Department of Agriculture and the position of director. Section 22-102 provides that the director "shall organize the department into such divisions and other administrative sub-units as may be necessary in order to efficiently administer the department," and section 22-103 lists specific directorial duties. Title 22 also contains the authority for the Plant Industries Division, the Agricultural Resources Division, and the department's Marketing Bureau. The primary authority for the Animal Industries Division lies within Title 25 and Title 37, while the Agricultural Inspections Division, which includes the Bureaus of Weights and Measures and Bonded Warehouse, derives authority from Titles 69 and 71.

In addition to the five divisions which primarily make up the ISDA, four commodity commissions - the Idaho Honey Advertising Commission, Idaho Hop Commission, Idaho Mint Commission and Idaho Sheep Commission - are also technically housed within the ISDA, although each entity maintains its autonomy. The department works closely with all other agriculture commodity commissions. The Idaho Food Quality Assurance Laboratory was assigned by the Idaho Legislature to the Department of Agriculture on July 1, 2005, and the department works cooperatively with the Idaho Food Quality Assurance Institute to administrator the day-to-day operations of the laboratory.

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture has a current budget of approximately \$36.3 million. For FY2014, the state general fund accounts for 20.8 percent of the budget. The remainder of the department's funding comes from various types of fees assessed directly to the segment of industry being regulated or receiving services. Federal sources also assist the department with the funding of certain programs. The department is currently staffed with approximately 325 full-time employees. The Bureau of Shipping Point Inspection and other units of the department also hire hundreds of seasonal employees each year.

Idaho agriculture has been the engine of our state's economy and the department embraces each new opportunity and stands ready to provide leadership.

Core Functions

- **Animal Health** Responsible for regulatory animal disease control and prevention programs through the inspection and investigation of livestock and livestock facilities, and the regulation of movement of animals in intrastate, interstate and international commerce.
- **Plant Health** Responsible for the registration and inspection of commercial feed, fertilizer and soil and plant amendments; export certification; pest exclusion; control of grasshoppers and Mormon crickets; prevention and control of noxious weeds and invasive species; and the oversight of the Idaho Food Quality Assurance Laboratory.
- **Inspection Services** Inspect commodities for quality and condition at the shipping point, using official grade standards developed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and ISDA for fresh fruits and vegetables. Also inspect and certify organic operations, all weighing devices and licensed warehouse.
- **Pesticide Registration** Registers pesticides, trains and licenses pesticide applicators and chemigators.
- **Market Development** The mission of the Market Development program is to "promote Idaho's food and agriculture industry by expanding opportunities in domestic and foreign markets fostering industry growth and profitability." Much of this is accomplished by providing direct assistance to farmers, ranchers, shippers and processors in establishing new customers for their products, increasing sales and stimulating growth to Idaho's economy.

Revenue and Expenditures:

Revenue	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY2013
General Fund	\$40,200	\$38,400	\$6,500	\$100
Animal Damage Control	\$100,000	\$166,200	\$100,000	\$100,000
Administration & Accounting	\$904,800	\$912,600	\$881,100	\$857,300
Facilities Maintenance	\$196,200	\$224,000	\$232,000	\$263,700
Agriculture Inspections	\$1,106,500	\$1,215,800	\$1,114,500	\$1,119,300
Weights and Measures	\$351,800	\$364,900	\$378,000	\$404,900
Invasive Species	\$1,400	\$2,100	\$35,900	\$22,700
Special Pest Eradication	\$209,000	\$58,200	\$349,400	\$1,461,500
Agriculture Fees	\$5,751,700	\$5,761,400	\$5,724,700	\$6,307,100
Redifit Intermodel	\$159,300	\$55,500	\$86,400	\$80,900
Federal Grant	\$6,140,100	\$6,700,000	\$5,927,400	\$3,994,100
Rural Partnership	\$54,400	\$15,500	\$4,500	\$7,000
Seminars and Publications	\$198,100	\$188,300	\$137,300	\$153,200
USDA Publications	\$31,100	\$31,100	\$31,100	\$31,000
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Inspections	\$7,182,000	\$7,102,400	\$7,270,200	\$7,412,200
Development Loans	\$6,900	\$4,100	\$5,500	\$6,400
Commodity Indemnity Fund	\$1,607,500	\$1,683,600	\$2,389,500	\$2,061,800
Seed Indemnity Fund	\$662,500	\$738,400	\$752,700	\$795,400
Resource Conservation	\$388,700	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revolving Fund – SCC	\$14,200	\$0	\$0	\$0
Quality Assurance Lab	\$206,100	\$210,400	\$213,900	\$203,900
Total	\$24,766,900	\$25,428,900	\$25,598,600	\$25,282,500
Expenditure	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY2012	FY2013
Personnel Costs	\$15,886,700	\$15,018,100	\$15,185,000	\$16,667,100
Operating Expenditures	\$7,258,800	\$6,899,700	\$6,831,900	\$7,018,600
Capital Outlay	\$484,600	\$629,700	\$1,50,100	\$794,500
Trustee/Benefit Payments	\$6,325,800	\$5,973,300	\$5,463,100	\$4,252,800
Total	\$29,955,900	\$28,520,800	\$29,030,100	\$28,733,000

Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY2013
Animal Industries				
Investigate suspected diseases, conduct licensing, inspection, and certification for compliance with state or federal Animal Health laws.	3,348	2,967	3,246	3,715
Perform disease tests on animals and animal tissues for regulatory diseases, to meet import/export requirements and for zoonotic diseases	362,905	676,604	100,454	110,944
Inspect, inventory and test domestic cervidae for compliance	1,624	1,391	1,271	876
Inspect all dairy farms and plants for compliance with sanitation, quality, and wholesomeness standards	6,932	7,653	8,024	8,786
Perform tests on finished dairy products for quality. Presence of adulterants and to determine producer payment	4,203	5,555	5,911	7,012

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY2013
Inspect and approve all dairy and beef waste management systems for compliance with state and federal laws	2,863	2,494	2,570	2,239
Animal care investigations and inspections	215	208	60	64
Agriculture Inspections				
License and inspect all warehouses, commodity dealers and seed buyers	177	177	177	177
Certified and inspected organic producers, processors and handlers	200	227	210	214
Inspect and test all known commercially used weighing and measuring devices	29,027	26,282 *Revised 7/13/12	26,726	24,035
Provide information to public concerning weights and measures issues	2 Press Releases/ 2 Briefings to Industry/5 Laboratory Tours	1 Press Release / 1 Briefing to Industry / 1 Legislative Subcommittee Briefing / 5 Metrology Lab Tours	2 Legislative Subcommittee Briefings / 3 Metrology Lab Tours / 3 News Media Stories	1 Briefing to Industry / 3 Metrology Lab Tours / 1 Negotiated Rulemaking / 1 News Media Contact
Maintain Idaho metrology lab certification by planning for future federal requirements	2009-2010 Two-year Accreditation	2011 Accreditation	2012-2013 Two Year Accreditation	2013 Accreditation
Number of pounds of Fruits and Vegetables certified by the Shipping Point Inspection Program	10.9 Billion Pounds	10.4 Billion Pounds	11.3 Billion Pounds	11.5 Billion Pounds
Agricultural Resources				
Review and registration of applications for pesticide registrations	10,339	10,390	10,520	10,734
Pesticide applicator licenses	7,646	7,697	8,143	8,668
Pesticide inspections and investigations	238	228	598	755
Chemigation Equipment Inspections	271	254	268	283
USDA Inspections	150	190	198	50
Ground water samples collected	1,238	1,380	1,351	1,466
Laboratory analysis of ground water samples collected	27,614	39,812	34,255	33,338
Conduct statewide groundwater sampling follow-ups	377	262	163	170
Laboratory analysis of ground water follow-up samples collected	8,297	7,589	3,794	3,880
Worker protection training sessions	16	11	11	16
Worker protection inspections	125	125	147	225
Waste pesticides disposed (Pounds)	74,210	84,566	118,868	132,651
Pesticide containers recycled (Pounds)	141,000	156,425	173,573	251,000
Plant Industries				
Review/registration of feed and fertilizer labels and products	18,785	15,657	20,017	23,023
Collect commercial feed samples	1,122	1,152	1,062	1,120
Issue Nurseryman/Florists licenses	1,926	1,857	1,843	1,781
Field Inspections – acres	72,184	66,200	51,404	50,045
Issue phytosanitary certificates	6,640	6,092	5,043	4,257
Collect seed samples for compliance to Idaho pure seed law, noxious weed law, feed law, and referee testing	147	221	152	81

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY2013
Perform purity, germination, and special testing of certified seeds for Idaho Crop Improvement Association and uncertified seeds for the seed industry	4,068	4,283	2,810	2,102
Issue seed dealer's licenses	639	641	624	637
Invasive species watercraft inspections	18,000	46,022	42,000	47,000
Number of Hop bale inspections conducted by the Hops Program	27,328 Bales	21,454 Bales	24,814 Bales	19,312 Bales
Marketing and Development				
Lead international trade missions	2	1	3	4
Participate in targeted domestic and international trade shows	18	14	17	14
Develop promotional events and materials	29	30	31	31
Recruit Idaho companies into the Idaho Preferred Program	213	239	273	297

Performance Highlights:

Animal Industries

The Division of Animal Industries monitors Idaho's livestock population for regulated diseases through routine inspection and testing in order to maintain their disease-free status for state and federal programs and interstate movement purposes and, therefore, marketability. Additionally, individual animals or herds are inspected, sampled, and tested more frequently in response to potential exposure to regulated diseases.

FY 13 profile of cases completed and/or key services provided:

- 20,933 laboratory tests for brucellosis control and surveillance activities. (decline due to slaughter plant closure)
- 22,742 laboratory tests completed for other disease surveillance and animal movement activities.
- 73,737 other required laboratory testing (Trichomoniasis, Tuberculosis). (Improved test increased accuracy and efficiency resulting in higher testing demands)
- 3,437 inspection/investigations conducted regarding animal disease related activities.
- 16 enforcement action was taken to safeguard animal health.

Services provided above maintained compliance with requirements in federal/state cooperative disease control activities, maintained unrestricted movement of livestock in interstate commerce and ensured that livestock imported into Idaho were in compliance with all animal health requirements.

Domestic Cervidae

The Domestic Cervidae Program is a regulatory program, administered by the Idaho State Department of Agriculture since 1994. Currently, Idaho is home to 62 active domestic cervidae farms and roughly 4,000 elk, fallow deer and reindeer inhabiting those farms. The primary objectives of the program are to inspect and approve cervidae handling facilities, verify herd inventory and individual animal identification, and prevent the introduction and transmission of diseases such as tuberculosis and chronic wasting disease between cervids.

Domestic Cervidae Program Summary:

	<u># Cervidae ranches</u>	<u># Cervidae</u>	<u># Inspections</u>	<u># Personnel Hours</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
FY 10	83	6023	106	1147	\$55,044.00	\$ 86,023.00
FY 11	66	4804	115	1775	\$47,599.00	\$ 87,091.00
FY 12	62	4952	94	1368	\$47,277.00	\$ 80,731.00
FY 13	62	4229	103	1312	\$43,218.00	\$ 56,187.00

As a result of the declining herd numbers, assessment fees and additional oversight measures implemented by the federal government, the cervidae program has consistently experienced annual budget deficits. In response, the 2013 Idaho Legislature received a statutory amendment proposal to increase assessment fees and curtail program expenses to

facilitate a balanced budget. The Legislature did not pass the amendment and, as a result, program operations were discontinued on April 7th for the remainder of the fiscal year, due to the program's annual budget already having been depleted after only nine months. There were also two enforcement actions administered in FY13 within the program. The total cost of the investigations consumed a significant portion of the annual budget and were partially to blame for program operations being discontinued for 3 months.

Goal:

Minimize program costs and assist the industry in submitting an acceptable amendment proposal to the 2014 Idaho Legislature so the program may be adequately funded for an entire fiscal year.

Animal Care

The Division of Animal Industries continues to investigate animal care complaints involving production animals. Efficiencies have been attained by utilizing local law enforcement, when possible, to assist with the initial investigation of production animal complaints as well as follow-up investigations.

In FY 11, approximately 80% of the animal care complaints received involved companion horses not related to the production of food or fiber. Since the definition of production animals was changed by the legislature in 2011, to exclude companion horses, the overall number of complaints investigated by the ISDA declined dramatically as local law enforcement handled the majority of companion horse animal care complaints.

Profile of cases completed:

	<u># Cases</u>	<u>Cost</u>
FY 09	294	\$109,989.95
FY 10	215	\$ 76,724.73
FY 11	208	\$ 68,546.31
FY 12	60	\$ 30,853.64
FY 13	64	\$ 48,129.57

DAIRY BUREAU

SANITATION:

Inspect all dairy farms, bulk milk haulers, milk processing facilities for state and federal sanitary requirements including raw and finished milk and dairy product testing for FY13:

1. 6,791 Sanitary Inspections (substantial increase in pasteurizer units, tanker evaluations and assistance in new processing facility startups)
2. 6,975 Finished/Raw Product Testing (increase due to primarily to expansion of raw milk producers)
3. 200 Laboratory FDA/State Certifications
4. 1,175,847 pounds of milk and dairy products removed/prevented from human food chain
5. 932 regulatory actions taken to comply with State & Federal requirements to protect public health
6. 11 environmental, product, and nuisance complaints investigated
7. 3,784 certificates were issued covering 10,885,676 lbs of dairy products for export
8. Raw Milk – ISDA promulgated new raw milk rules to:
 - a. Improve health standards for raw milk and raw milk products
 - b. Bring underground movement of raw milk sales out in the open
 - c. Funding for the program paid by the dairy industry
 - d. 141 raw milk facilities & 5 Grade A raw milk facilities have been permitted
9. Passed all Federal Audits on Grade A program
10. Interstate Shipments of Grade A Milk and Dairy Products Maintained
11. Maintained ISDA/USDA Cooperative Agreement for USDA Approved Plant Inspections, Sampling, and Grading Program

ENVIRONMENTAL:

Inspect dairy and beef animal feeding operations for environmental compliance including completing the task of identifying all beef animal feeding operations that have not been located and inspected; writing,

reviewing and enforcing nutrient management plans; conducting ammonia inspections, construction inspections, engineering designs, complaint investigations, and CAFO Siting Team evaluations for FY13:

1. 1,309 dairy facility waste inspections
2. 551 beef animal feeding inspections
 - a. 11 "new" beef animal feeding operations identified and inspected
 - b. CAFO's >1,000 head inspected twice annually including at least 1 wet weather inspection
3. 94 dairy ammonia inspections
4. 242 Nutrient Management reviews, approvals, and verifications including CAFO site evaluations
5. 43 livestock construction inspections (30 dairy, 13 beef)
6. 2 waste regulatory actions issued totaling penalties of \$7,500.00

Agricultural Inspections

Organic Food Program

- Assisted 214 applicants to become certified under USDA National Organic Program (NOP).
- Implemented an Organic Material Review Program to provide a list of approved products for use in organic production.
- Actively participated in the National Accredited Certifiers Association Government Program Sub-Committee.

Shipping Point Inspection

- Graded and inspected 11 commodities totaling over 11.5 billion pounds of Idaho produce.
- Performed over 600 third-party, food safety audits on Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), Good Handling Practices (GHP), and/or Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP).
- Began electronic inspection program which packers and producers may be able to access their inspection data in real time.
- Sent two inspectors to USDA's Training Center for market inspection training. This training included five weeks of training in Fredericksburg, VA and one week on-the-job training at the Hunts Point Terminal in Bronx, NY.

Warehouse Program

- Licensed and examined 177 warehouses, commodity dealers, and seed buyers.
- Completed more than 96 months without a licensed warehouse or commodity dealer failure.
- Developed and tested a new producer education outreach at 2013 Ag Expos and Cereal Schools.
- Ceased collection of Commodity Indemnity Fund assessments and held the fund to \$12 million limit.
- Began rewrite of Indemnity Funds' assessment system.
- Worked on succession training, staff replacement and emergency relocation.
- Monitored impact of two major grain storage fires in Idaho.

Weights and Measures

- The Metrology Laboratory received the National Institute of Standards and Technologies (NIST) 2 year certificate of recognition.
- Investigated 70 consumer complaints related to weights and measures issues.
- Inspected 24,035 commercial weighing or measuring devices. (Decrease in inspections due to personnel shortage)

Agricultural Resources

The Division of Agricultural Resources monitors the proper use, sales and distribution of pesticides through routine inspections, training, compliance assistance, sampling and complaint response.

Key services provided during FY13 include:

- Over 1,200 inspections or investigation activities completed.
- Pesticide investigators were equipped with tablets and electronic forms and are submitting all investigations in electronic format; saving time and expense.
- The container recycling program was expanded in 2011 from offices in Lewiston and Idaho Falls to include an office in Boise. 2012 represented the first full year with all three offices in operation, allowing better coverage of the state and a marked increase in the number of containers recycled. In 2012, pesticide containers recycled increased by 30% over the record setting year in 2011.
- The amount of unusable pesticides collected continued to increase in FY13. Even though there was a decrease in the number of collection days from the previous year, the response from industry increased. Additional funding was requested and allocated for FY14, so an additional week of collections will be supported in the future.
- Over 10,000 pesticide products were approved for distribution in Idaho.

Enforcement

- The Division issued 60 warning letters, 128 regulatory letters, five (5) fines, three (3) license suspensions and four (4) license revocations.
- There were 283 chemigation sites inspected for equipment compliance.
- The number of USDA record inspections on private applicators was significantly reduced in FY13, due to reduced availability of federal grant funds for that purpose. Due to federal budget cuts, these records inspections may be ended in FY14.

Licensing and Certification

- Over 925 training seminars were reviewed by ISDA staff and approved.
- More than 170 exam sessions were conducted by ISDA staff throughout the state. These were a combination of scheduled testing sessions, special testing sessions and appointment testing sessions.
- A total of 4,190 private applicator licenses were processed and distributed to growers.
- A total of 4,295 professional applicator licenses were processed and distributed to commercial applicators.
- A total of 183 dealer licenses were processed and distributed.

ISDA saw a substantial increase for both pesticide applicator exams and dealer licenses.

Worker Protection

In order to educate and assist migrant workers to comply with Worker Protection requirements, ISDA conducted numerous outreach activities with migrant clinics, migrant labor camps and labor contractors. Training classes provided instruction to over 800 attendees and over 148 outreach visits were conducted with growers. WPS materials, such as pesticide safety videos and DVDs, pesticide safety posters, "*How to Comply Manuals*" (hard copy and electronic format/CDs), and pesticide safety books for agricultural workers and pesticide handlers, were provided during these visits.

Marketing

Developing international buyer contacts continues to be a top priority for the division. With 96% of the world's consumers outside of the U.S., international markets are an important target for increasing sales and generating economic growth. Agricultural exports in the past year have been a bright spot in the economy. Idaho agriculture exports in 2012 set yet another record. Idaho's top agricultural export markets were Canada, Mexico, China and Japan.

Governor Otter led a Trade Mission to Asia in April, 2013 that included stops in Seoul, South Korea; Taipei, Taiwan and Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. The mission included market briefings, business receptions, customer appreciation awards, and pre-qualified, one-on-one meetings. The Governor's involvement in the mission helped Idaho companies gain access to top decision makers and key governmental officials in Asia. Opportunities in South Korea have increased as market access has improved from the KORUS Free Trade Agreement. Idaho has had a trade office in Taiwan for 25 years and the market continues to be one of the state's top 10 export destinations. Vietnam is a targeted emerging market with solid economic growth.

In January, 2013, Idaho led a WUSATA Latin American Outbound Mission to Panama and Colombia. Twelve companies participated, including five Idaho companies from the potato and onion industries. During the Panama stop, Idahoan, received on-site sales for their foodservice and retail dehydrated potato products. Since the mission, Idahoan representatives estimate that their business has nearly tripled. The company views Panama as a stepping stone into South America and is now looking to expand their business into other South American countries, including Colombia. Idahoan also plans to launch new flavors into Panama that were recently released in the United States, including their bacon and cheddar chipotle mashed potatoes. On-site sales for all 12 companies reached almost \$100,000 and projected export sales top \$800,000 over the next 12 months.

In 2013, the Idaho Preferred® program celebrated its 10th anniversary of assisting Idaho farmers, ranchers, wineries and food processors with marketing their products through advertising and public relations, retail and foodservice promotions, social media and special events and activities. To commemorate the success of its first decade, Idaho Preferred published its first cookbook entitled *LIVE.EAT.LOCAL – Idaho Recipes for all Seasons*. The book is designed by season to highlight Idaho products when they are available, and includes over 100 recipes provided by local chefs as well as producer spotlights and beautiful original photography.

The Idaho Preferred advertising campaign includes television commercials featuring local fruits, vegetables and wine. These ads, funded by specialty crop grant funds, air during Idaho Preferred Month in September. In addition, Idaho Preferred continues to promote nursery products through print and web advertising that runs each spring to remind consumers to look for local plants, trees and flowers during the planting season. In September 2012, forest products were added to the advertising campaign. Radio and print ads in north Idaho markets encouraged consumers to seek out wood products such as lumber, shingles and wood pellets made in Idaho from **Idaho** forests.

Retail promotions are a critical component in connecting consumers with local products. Idaho Preferred continues to work with local chains like Paul's Market and Broulim's as well as larger stores like Albertsons and Walmart and newcomers Whole Foods and Rosauers. New eye-catching produce bins were produced and distributed to 75 retail locations throughout the state to make it easy for consumers to find local products within these stores. At Walmart's request, Idaho Preferred worked to bring local cheese to its 16 Idaho stores. Working in collaboration with industry, blocks and shreds of 7 varieties of Idaho cheese are now available in Walmart stores statewide. Driven by in-store demos and print ads, over 800,000 pounds of Idaho cheese have been sold in the first eight months of this cooperative program.

To support the 54 farmers markets in Idaho, the division printed and distributed 18,000 Idaho Farmers Market directories for the 2013 season and hosted the Idaho Farmers Market Recipe Contest to celebrate Idaho Farmers Market Week August 5-11, 2012. Twenty-four entries were submitted featuring Idaho beans, potatoes, cheese, beef, and wine. Winning recipes were highlighted in a brochure distributed to over 350 consumers at farmers markets throughout the state.

Plant Industries

Plant Pests

On July 30, 2012, two adult Japanese beetles were found in ISDA traps in Boise (Ada County). In response, ISDA immediately placed several delimiting traps around affected locations. More Japanese beetles were found during August through October. By the end of the 2012 Japanese beetle trapping season, a total of 61 adults had been caught in the state: 4 near a nursery in Kootenai County, 1 near a nursery in Bannock County, and the remaining 56 in the city of Boise. Most of the beetles caught in Boise in 2012 were trapped in a residential area in the eastern part of the city. In total, with the addition of 222 delimiting traps at various sites of capture, ISDA managed 596 Japanese beetle traps throughout the state in 2012, including those at nurseries, turf farms, urban landscape sites, airports, and in areas with significant risk factors such as recent landscaping. At ISDA's request, the affected nurseries in Ada, Kootenai, and Bannock counties applied appropriate pesticide treatments to their properties soon after Japanese beetle was found, as did the Boise Parks

and Recreation Department. ISDA has implemented 2013 treatments for properties in the eastside residential areas where Japanese beetle was found, and has been vigorously monitoring the situation.

ISDA continued to suppress outbreaks of grasshoppers. No suppression of Mormon crickets and related katydids were necessary in 2012. Forty-two private landowners in 15 counties received assistance in the form of 35,550 pounds of bait valued at \$28,440.00 in 2012.

Invasive Species & Noxious Weeds

During 2012, ISDA distributed a total of \$1.55 million from cost share grants to Cooperative Weed Management Area's for on-the-ground integrated weed management. Program applicants provided over \$5.37 million in matching contributions, which allowed for treatment of a total of over 332,131 acres of noxious weed, and for nearly 1.1 million acres to be surveyed and mapped. A campaign was launched entitled "Don't Let It Loose, Idaho," with the goal of educating the public about responsible pet ownership and the dangers associated with releasing plants and animals into the wild. ISDA is working cooperatively with the Idaho Humane Society and retail pet stores to distribute materials and promote alternative solutions for abandoned and unwanted species.

During 2012, ISDA operated 15 watercraft inspection stations on highways and major roads. Many of these stations were run with the assistance of local governments and conservation districts. More than 47,000 watercraft inspections were conducted between February and October, 2012, with 57 mussel-fouled boats intercepted in Idaho during the season. Staff also continued its seventh year of the Eurasian Watermilfoil program in Idaho and worked on hydrilla eradication project. In August, Idaho Power employees reported to ISDA that they had found water hyacinth in the Snake River near Hagerman, Idaho. A thorough survey of this area was conducted with assistance from neighboring counties, as well as staff from Idaho Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The survey identified hyacinth plants in 11 miles of river with the source population in a private geothermally-influenced pond that flows into the Snake River. Twin Falls County and ISDA conducted an eradication project in this pond and all visible water hyacinth was removed from the area. Surveys and eradication efforts will continue in the area.

Phytosanitary Inspections

In 2012, ISDA issued 3,921 federal and 336 state phytosanitary certificates for 196 different types of commodities to 97 countries. The total number of acres inspected for crop disease was 50,045. The Division of Plant Industries also certified over 307 million pounds of seed and other commodities for export. The ISDA operates this program under a Memorandum of Understanding with the USDA, and the division continues to work to overcome phytosanitary trade barriers, which restrict the export of Idaho agricultural products.

Potato Cyst Nematodes

Idaho's Potato Cyst Nematode Eradication Program

- Production acres surveyed: 28,988
- Seed acres surveyed: 242
- Number of counties surveyed: 7
- Fields positive for PCN: 5 new, 19 fields total are now considered infested.

In 2012, there were 5 new confirmed potato cyst nematode-infested fields in Bingham and Bonneville County, Idaho. All 19 known infested fields in Eastern Idaho are located within a 5-mile radius that spans a portion of northern Bingham County and southern Bonneville County. As a result of the new infested field detections, as many as 16,566 acres in Bingham and Bonneville Counties were regulated in 2012. The current regulated area is 14,042 acres. Of those total acres, 1,915 are infested. Deficiency warrant funding approved by the Board of Examiners has helped fund this program.

ISDA also facilitated PCN surveys of acres identified for production of fresh potatoes for export to Mexico. As part of export protocols established by Mexico, acres are required to be surveyed for PCN prior to planting of potatoes for export. Acreage in Bonneville, Bingham, Jefferson, and Madison counties were surveyed under this program. Activities were funded through a grant from USDA-Foreign Ag Service.

Part II – Performance Measures

Performance Measure	2010	2011	2012	2013	Benchmark
Conduct inspections, investigations, surveillance, and testing to prevent the introduction/spread of animal disease.		679,571	103,700	118,358	350,000 annual inspections, investigations and tests
Respond to all allegations of improper animal care within 24 hours of receiving complaint.		208 cases 100%	60 cases 100%	64 cases 100%	Complaints 24 hour response %
Provide fresh fruit and vegetable inspection services for all applicant requests assuring product meets marketing order and grade on label while maintaining less than 1% reversal rate.		525 applicants 28,623 certificates issued 1 reversal	579 applicants 28,924 certificates issued 1 reversal	626 Applicants 29,646 certificates issued 1 reversal	Applicants 515 Certificates 28,000 1% reversal
Inspect, test and follow-up compliance on weighing and measuring devices. Reaching a rejection rate of less than 5% and rechecking at least 60% of rejected devices.		26,282 device inspections 6.24% rejected 50.4% of the rejected devices were rechecked <small>*Revised 7/13/12</small>	26,726 device inspections 6.4% rejected 76.5% of the rejected devices rechecked	24,035 device inspections 6.0% rejected 57.8% of the rejected devices rechecked	Inspections 27,000 <5% Rejected 60% Recheck
Conduct pesticide-related inspections for compliance resulting in less than 5% of investigations involving repeat offenders for specific violations.		0%	0.3% (2÷598)	0.29 (2/690)	% repeat violations
Provide and approve sufficient ongoing recertification training opportunities processing 95% of requests within five days of receipt.		876 Seminars 95.5%	894 Seminars 97.3%	897 Seminars 98%	Requests % approved & posted in 5 working days
Recruit 12 new companies per year into the Idaho Preferred Program and retain 90% of current members per year while attaining a 60% consumer awareness of the Idaho Preferred logo.		30 new companies 93% retention rate 66% consumer awareness	40 new companies 94% retention 66% consumer awareness	47 new companies 95% retention 50% consumer awareness	New members % Retention rate % consumer awareness

Performance Measure	2010	2011	2012	2013	Benchmark
Obtain a minimum average overall customer satisfaction rating of 4 for promotions, missions, workshops and events using a scale of 1-5, 5 being the highest.		4.3	4.5	4.7	Minimum average customer satisfaction rating
Complete phytosanitary certificates within a prescribed time frame from date received. 78% processed within 24 hours, 15% processed after 2 business days, 7% processed after 3 business days or more.		48% within 24 hours 37% after one business day 11% after 2 business days 4% after 3 or more days	47% within 24 hours 37% after one business day 11% after 2 business days 5% after 3 or more days	80% within 24 hours 11% after 2 business days 8% after 3 or more days	Certificates % within 24 hours % after 2 days % after 3 or more days
Approve or deny within 91 days, 95% of feed labels and 80% of fertilizer and soil and plant amendment labels that are submitted for review.		46% feed within 91 days 93% fertilizer within 91 days 91% soil and plant amendment within 91 days	65.5% feed within 91 days 100% fertilizer within 91 days 100% soil and plant amendment within 91 days	64% feed within 91 days 100% fertilizer within 91 days 100% soil and plant amendment within 91 days	% feed within 91 days % fertilizer within 91 days % soil and plant amendment within 91 days

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