

Part I – Agency Profile

Agency Overview

The Division of Building Safety is a self-governing agency which primarily operates by using dedicated funds generated by fees for licenses, permits, plan reviews, and apprentice/trainee registrations. The Division oversees multiple programs with 100 employees across the state. Five programs—electrical; building; plumbing; public works contractor licensing; and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning—have board oversight. A small amount of federal funding is utilized to underwrite a consumer complaint program for manufactured housing owners and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) manufactured home in-plant inspections within the Building Program. The industrial safety and logging safety programs provide safety and consultation services to the public.

Core Functions/Idaho Code

Electrical Program: Per Title 54, Chapter 10, the Electrical Program safeguards life and property for the citizens of Idaho from hazards arising from the use of electricity to ensure that all electrical installations within the State comply with the most current safety codes and electrical standards. The Electrical Program provides the public with trained and qualified electrical inspectors having the most up-to-date knowledge and skills necessary to minimize electrical fires, injuries, and loss of life.

Building Program: Per Title 39, Chapter 41, the Building Program administers numerous building code regulatory programs involving the construction of state facilities, schools, prefabricated structures, manufactured homes, rehabilitation of older manufactured homes, and manufactured home industry licensing, as well as providing various other contractual services to local jurisdictions. The Building Program performs plan reviews and/or inspections to determine compliance with adopted building, accessibility, mechanical, fuel gas, energy conservation, and HUD construction safety codes or standards.

Plumbing Program: Per Title 54, Chapter 26, the Plumbing Program provides for the health and safety of the citizens of Idaho in public and private buildings by ensuring that plumbing practices are in compliance with the Idaho State Plumbing Code and that the licensing requirements of Idaho Code and Administrative Rules have been met.

Public Works Contractor Licensing Bureau: Per Title 54, Chapter 19, the Public Works Contractors License Board licenses all contractors and construction managers performing public works construction.

Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Program: Per Title 54, Chapter 50, the HVAC Program provides for the regulation, licensing, testing, and education of installers of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems to ensure proper installation and compliance with the most current adopted codes applicable to the HVAC industry.

Industrial Safety Program: Per Title 39, Chapter 80, the Industrial Safety Program inspects state and school district facilities in an effort to ensure safe working conditions and reduce occupational accidents and fatalities, thereby reducing the costs of worker's compensation insurance. The Industrial Safety Program administers to, and obtains voluntary compliance with, health and safety standards as it applies to public employee workplaces and, indirectly, to the public. Consultation services and training resources on occupational safety issues are also provided. Per Title 39, Chapter 86, the statewide elevator safety program is managed for the protection of the owners, employees, and the public.

Logging Safety Program: Per Title 72, Chapter 7, the Logging Safety Program works to reduce the frequency and severity of accidents in the logging industry as well as reducing logging industry insurance rates. The Logging Safety Program continually works at gaining the trust and respect of the logging community.

Revenue and Expenditures:

Revenue	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Div. Building Safety	\$7,462,400	\$8,889,400	\$8,964,000	\$9,716,100
Federal Grant	\$41,600	\$41,000	\$41,900	\$41,500
Misc. Revenue	\$952,600	\$1,129,500	\$966,700	\$881,000
Total	\$8,456,600	\$10,059,900	\$9,972,600	\$10,638,600
Expenditure	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Personnel Costs	\$6,424,700	\$6,656,600	\$6,967,400	\$7,372,400
Operating Expenditures	\$1,921,700	\$1,815,800	\$1,809,000	\$1,785,200
Capital Outlay	\$84,300	\$842,600	\$348,700	\$361,900
Trustee/Benefit Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$8,430,700	\$9,315,000	\$9,125,100	\$9,519,500

Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Electrical Licenses Active	9100	9,100	9,100	9,100
Electrical Permits Issued	17,500	20,700	21,600	21,600
Electrical Inspections Completed	28,200	34,700	37,300	39,600
Building Plans Checked	200	200	300	300
HUD/State Administrative Agency Manufactured Home Inspections	200	200	100	100
HUD/IPIA In-plant Inspections of Manufactured Homes	1,200	1,400	1,500	1,500
Manufactured Housing Dealer Licenses Issued	200	100	100	100
Plumbing Licenses Active	4,200	4,100	4,200	4,600
Plumbing Permits Issued	8,300	9,700	11,100	12,200
Plumbing Inspections Conducted	14,500	16,700	19,400	21,800
Public Works Contractor Licenses Active	2,600	3,200	2,900	3,200
HVAC Licenses Active	4,600	4,400	4,400	4,300
HVAC Permits Issued	4,300	4,600	4,900	5,000
HVAC Inspections Completed	6,900	11,700	15,200	16,100
Public Building Safety Inspections Completed	5,200	5,100	5,100	5,300
Elevator Inspections	1,000	1,000	1,200	1,300
Logging Operations Inspections	900	900	1,000	1,000
Logging First-aid Class Attendees	2,000	2,100	2,200	2,100

Part II – Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	Benchmark
1. % of permits processed through online application	61%	63%	68%	73%	75%
2. % of inspection requests processed through online application	49%	54%	62%	58%	80%
3. % of building plans submitted electronically	99%	84%	76% **	97%	85%
4. % of Plan Reviews completed within 10 working days	85%	92%	96%	98%	75%
5. % of School and Public Building Facilities inspected each year	98%	97%	98%	100%	95%
6. % of Elevators and Escalators with up-to-date inspections	88%	93%	94%	95%	95%

** Decrease in 2014 is due to a higher number of modular plan reviews which are generally submitted manually.

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