# Part I – Agency Profile

## Agency Overview

Initially established in 1975, the Idaho Governor’s Office of Energy and Mineral Resources (OEMR) is an executive office of the Governor, the duties, powers, and authorities of which are set forth in Executive Order 2020-17.

OEMR coordinates energy and mineral planning and policy development and administers programs fostering reliability, affordability, sustainability, and innovation in a manner that responsibly enhances Idaho’s security, economy, and overall quality of life for its citizens.

## Core Functions/Idaho Code

The Idaho Office of Energy and Mineral Resources was continued by Executive Order 2020-17 on October 19, 2020.

## Revenue and Expenditures

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| **Revenue** | **FY 2022** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** |
| General Fund | - |  |  |  |
| Indirect Cost Recovery - SWICAP | 164,969 | 180,773 | 262,225 |  |
| Renewable Energy Resources - Geothermal Royalties | 1,443 | 13,834 | 6,197 |  |
| Federal Grant | 477,947 | 495,781 | 581,511 |  |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | - |  | - |  |
| Petroleum Violation Escrow Funds | 22,859 | 67,533 | 114,348 |  |
| **Total** | **$667,218** | **$757,921** | **$964,281** |  |
| **Expenditure** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** |  |
| Personnel Costs | 659,723 |  | 1,010,197 |  |
| Operating Expenditures | 312,831 | 355,384 | 143,778 |  |
| Capital Outlay | 10,298 | 13,348 | 47 |  |
| Trustee/Benefit Payments | 11,999 | 1,146,615 | 2,861,355 |  |
| **Total** | **$994,851** | **$2,423,462** | **$4,015,377** |  |

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| **Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided** | **FY 2022** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** |
| Provide outreach regarding energy and mineral resources to elected officials, organizations, and stakeholders. | 72 | 38 | 159 |  |
| Facilitate and coordinate Idaho’s response to energy and mineral projects (e.g., NEPA analysis). | 38 | 33 | 112 |  |
| Facilitate and coordinate Idaho’s responses to state, regional, and federal energy and  mineral regulatory and statutory proposals. | 4 | 6 | 29 |  |

**FY 2024 Performance Highlights**

In FY 2024, OEMR continued to develop and shared informational resources to inform the public on energy and mineral related activity across the state, including funding opportunities through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA), energy and mineral project development, electric vehicle charging infrastructure development, and energy efficiency and conservation project and program opportunities. Additionally, OEMR provided funding to the University of Idaho’s Integrated Design Lab to conduct 13 energy efficiency audits for government-owned buildings in rural Idaho. The Energy Resiliency Grant Program funded 9 electric utility projects statewide to boost grid resilience. These projects involved undergrounding power lines, upgrading technology for remote transmission monitoring, and implementing vegetation management and fire mesh wrapping to improve fire resilience. OEMR also obligated funds through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant to 11 rural cities and counties for energy projects aimed at reducing energy cost and usage.

OEMR facilitated and coordinated Idaho’s response to federal agencies for over 100 energy and mineral project comment opportunities in FY 2024. These projects include the relicensing of existing hydropower dams, development of new and expanded mining operations, and development of new energy generation sources.

OEMR also facilitated and coordinated Idaho’s response to federal agencies for six energy and mineral regulatory and statutory proposals.

# Part II – Performance Measures

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| **Performance Measure** | | **FY 2022** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** | **FY 2026** |
| **Goal 1: Maintain and Advance Idaho’s Energy and Mineral Leadership (OLD)**  **Goal 1: Responsibly Coordinate Idaho’s Energy and Mineral Policy, Planning, and Project Efforts (NEW)** | | | | | | |
| **OLD**   1. Coordinate and develop informational resources on existing, planned, and future energy and mineral related issues affecting Idaho. | actual | 93 updates | 1 update, 12 newsletters, and 167  resources | 1 update, 12 newsletters, and 160 resources | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| *target* | *40 updates* | *1 Energy Landscape update, 12 newsletters, and 100 additional resources per year* | *1 Energy Landscape update, 12 newsletters, and 150 additional resources per year* | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| **OLD**   1. Meaningfully engage in energy and mineral policy discussions and forums. | actual | N/A | 81 policy forums | 293 policy forums | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| *target* | *New Benchmark* | *50 total policy forums per year* | *60 total policy forums per year* | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| **OLD**   1. Facilitate and staff ISEA Board and Task Force meetings. | actual | 20 meetings | 15 meetings | 11 meetings | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| *target* | *15 meetings and conference calls per year* | *12 meetings per year* | *12 meetings per year* | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| **Performance Measure** | | **FY 2022** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** | **FY 2026** |
| **Goal 1: Maintain and Advance Idaho’s Energy and Mineral Leadership (OLD)**  **Goal 1: Responsibly Coordinate Idaho’s Energy and Mineral Policy, Planning, and Project Efforts (NEW)** | | | | | | |
| **NEW**   1. Coordinate Idaho’s interests in energy policy and planning efforts and federal energy permitting and rulemaking processes. | actual | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* |  |  |
| *target* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *25 coordinated responses to policy, planning, and development efforts per year* |  |
| **NEW**   1. Coordinate Idaho’s interests in mineral policy and planning efforts and federal mineral permitting and rulemaking processes. | actual | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* |  |  |
| *target* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *10 coordinated responses to policy, planning, and development efforts per year* |  |
| **Goal 2: Build Upon Idaho’s Energy Policy, Planning, and Project Development Portfolio (OLD)**  **Goal 2: Maintain and Advance Idaho’s Energy and Mineral Leadership (NEW)** | | | | | | |
| **OLD**  4. Represent Idaho’s interests in energy policy and planning efforts and federal energy permitting and rulemaking processes. | actual | 33  responses | 29 responses | 55 responses | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| *target* | *25 responses per year* | *25 responses to policy, planning and development efforts per year* | *25 responses to policy, planning and development efforts per year* | *N/A* | *N/A* |
| **NEW**   1. Develop and share information on energy and mineral topics and programs. | actual | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* |  |  |
| *target* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *150 informational resources per year (including 12 monthly newsletters, 1 Idaho Energy Landscape)* |  |
| **NEW**   1. Meaningfully engage in energy and mineral policy discussions and forums. | actual | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* |  |  |
| *target* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *60 total policy forums per year* |  |
| **NEW**   1. Facilitate and staff ISEA Board and Task Force meetings. | actual | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* |  |  |
| *target* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *N/A* | *12 meetings per year* |  |

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| **Performance Measure** | | | **FY 2022** | | **FY 2023** | | **FY 2024** | | **FY 2025** | | **FY 2026** |
| **Goal 3: Enhance Idaho’s Energy Security and Independence (OLD)**  **Goal 3: Provide Idahoans Access to Energy-related Programs and Opportunities (NEW)** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **OLD**  5. Participate in energy security and emergency management activities. | actual | | N/A | | 10 activities | | 47 activities | | *N/A* | | *N/A* |
| *target* | | *New Benchmark* | | *10 total training or exercise activities per year* | | *10 total training or exercise activities per year* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* |
| **NEW**   1. Provide funding for energy projects to Idaho local governments, businesses, and residents. | actual | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | |  | |  |
| *target* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *50 projects obligated per year* | |  |
| **Goal 4: Enhance Idaho’s Ability to Access Energy-Related Programs and Opportunities (OLD)**  **Goal 4: Enhance Idaho’s Energy Security and Independence (NEW)** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **OLD**  6. Provide energy efficiency and renewable energy loans to qualified Idaho residents and businesses. | actual | | 4 loans | | 24 loans | | 9 loans | | *N/A* | | *N/A* |
| *target* | | *25 loans per year* | | *15 loans issued per year with each application processed internally within 7-10 business days* | | *20 loans issued per year with each application processed internally within 7-10 business days* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* |
| **OLD**  7. Provide funding for energy projects to Idaho local governments, businesses, and residents. | actual | | N/A | | N/A | | 22 projects | | *N/A* | | *N/A* |
| *target* | | *New Benchmark* | | *New Benchmark* | | *Fund 40 projects per year* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* |
| **NEW**   1. Participate in energy security and emergency management activities. | actual | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | |  | |  |
| *target* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *6 total training or exercise per year* | |  |
| **NEW**   1. Update energy security plans and resources. | actual | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | |  | |  |
| *target* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *N/A* | | *4 total resources per year* | |  |
| **Performance Measure** | | **FY 2022** | | **FY 2023** | | **FY 2024** | | **FY 2025** | | **FY 2026** | |
| **Goal 5: Build Upon Idaho’s Leadership in Mineral Policy and Project Development (OLD)** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **OLD**  8. Represent Idaho’s interests in mineral policy and planning efforts and federal mineral permitting and rulemaking processes. | actual | | N/A | | 10 responses | | 21 responses | | Not Tracked | | Not Tracked |
| *target* | | *New Benchmark* | | *5 responses to planning and development efforts per year* | | *7 responses to planning and development efforts per year* | | Not Tracked | | Not Tracked |

**Performance Measure Explanatory Notes *(Optional)***

OEMR has several projects across multiple programs that are ongoing but not reflected in Measure 7, the measure is not recorded until the funds are spent at project completion. In FY 2024, OEMR awarded 11 rural cities and counties through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant for energy retrofits and upgrades, with most projects expected to finish by late FY 2025. While funds were obligated, they will not be spent until reimbursement upon project completion. In addition, OEMR recommended 9 projects to the Department of Energy for review in FY2024 for grid hardening projects for electric utilities that are anticipated to start mid-FY 2025.

OEMR received 19 State Energy Loan applications in FY 2024, but, after reviewing applications, only 9 were eligible for funding. To improve the process, OEMR has revised the application to make requirements clearer from the outset. Additionally, OEMR is reassessing current funds and projected payments to balance lending activities to maintain the program’s long-term financial sustainability

This year, OEMR restructured its Strategic Plan. In this Performance Report, old Goals and Measures are marked “old” and the new Goals and Measures are marked “new.” The majority of the changes to the Strategic Plan were structural and were performed to streamline future Performance Report efforts.

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