Part I - Agency Profile

Agency Overview

The Idaho State Brand Board is a self-governing, dedicated fund agency under the umbrella of the Idaho State Police and is solely funded by the livestock industry it serves.

The State Brand Board consists of five (5) members, three (3) of which are engaged in the feeding or production of beef cattle in Idaho, one (1) of which shall be engaged in the operation of a licensed public livestock auction market, and one (1) of which shall be engaged as a dairy milk producer.

There are four (4) district offices located throughout the state (Lewiston, Caldwell, Twin Falls, and Idaho Falls) with the administrative office located in Meridian. State Brand Inspector Cody Burlile is appointed by the Board and serves at its pleasure. The agency has 41.42 full-time employees (which includes 4 district supervisors), 2 part-time benefited positions and 17 part-time employees. All Full-time brand inspectors must attend POST (Peace Officers Standards and Training) Academy.

Recording of brands in Idaho became a state responsibility in 1905. Several different agencies were given the responsibility of recording brands over the years. In 1939, the Legislature established a State Brand Inspector and a Bureau of Brands within the Dept. of Agriculture. Later, in 1943, those duties were transferred to the Dept. of Law Enforcement. In 1947, the State Brand Board was established and assumed official duties regarding brands in Idaho. In 1974, the State Brand Inspector and State Brand Board were once again placed within the Dept. of Law Enforcement, which is now Idaho State Police.

Core Functions/Idaho Code

The purpose of the Idaho State Brand Board is to prevent and, where possible, reduce the theft and loss of livestock in Idaho by inspecting livestock (cattle, horses, mules & asses) when there is a change of ownership, when leaving the state of Idaho, and when going to slaughter (Idaho Code 25-1120).

Brand inspection fees are charged at time of inspection (Idaho Code 25-1160). The Brand Board also collects fees for Idaho Beef Council, Idaho Horse Board, Idaho State Dept. of Agriculture, Idaho Wolf Control Board and Idaho State Sheep Commission.

All Idaho livestock owners wishing to brand their livestock must apply for and record their brand with the Brand Board office and keep their brand in good standing while in use. Brands not renewed are delinquent and may be allotted to any person who may apply (Idaho Code 25-1144 & 25-1145).

A brand book containing all brands recorded in the state of Idaho is published each year with a free copy given to each county sheriff and numerous public libraries throughout the state. Brand books and supplements may be sold outright to the general public (Idaho Code 25-1148).

Deputy Brand Inspectors are authorized to enforce brand inspection laws and may issue citations or arrest anyone violating the brand laws or found with livestock unlawfully in their possession (Idaho Code 25-1182).

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Revenue and Expenditures

Revenue	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
State Regulatory Fund - Brands	3,307,860	<u>3,590,376</u>	3,365,322	3,432,784
Total	3,307,860	3,590,376	3,365,322	3,432,784
Expenditures	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Personnel Costs	2,460,584	2,535,400	2,769,000	3,005,403
Operating Expenditures	444,367	543,000	523,629	507,057
Capital Outlay	146,658	152,100	157,991	262,136
Trustee/Benefit Payments	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	3,051,609	3,230,500	3,450,620	3,774,596

Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Number of Livestock Inspected	2,138,393	2,322,179	2,151,365	2,236,244
Number of Stray Livestock Recovered	183	145	139	239
Proceeds Held on Questionable	1,660,112	1,225,519	587,725	619,426
Ownership/Number of Head	2502	5123	1385	1226
Total Number of Brands Recorded	16,783	17,817	18,026	18,254
New Brand Recordings Per Year	674	605	521	504

Licensing Freedom Act

Agencies who participate in licensure must report on the number of applicants denied licensure or license renewal and the number of disciplinary actions taken against license holders.

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Number of Livestock Dealer Licenses	182	189	192	186
Number of Livestock Dealer Representatives	n/a	n/a	174	178
Number of New Applicants Denied Licensure				
Number of Applicants Refused Renewal of a License				
Number of Complaints Against Licensees	4	2	4	5
Number of Final Disciplinary Actions Against Licensees	0	0	0	0

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Part II - Performance Measures

	Performance Measure		FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Go	Goal – Complete implementation of the electronic Livestock Brand Inspection software platform						
1.	Complete platform development, software implementation and staff training to allow for proficiency with the modernized brand inspection software program.	actual	65%	70%	75%	N/A	
		target	95%	95%	95%	N/A	N/A
	Goal – Enhance electronic Livestock Brand Inspection Software to include mobile inspection, online/mobile billing and payment, and improved services for brand recording, brand transfers and livestock dealer licensing.						
2.	Complete platform development,	actual	recording, b	rand transfe	ers and livest	21%	censing.
	software implementation and staff training to allow for proficiency with the modernized brand inspection software program.	target				35%	60%
Go	Goal – Provide prompt service to livestock owners.						
3.	Respond to inspection requests	actual	97%	98%	97%	N/A	
	from livestock owners within twenty- four (24) hour notice.	target	96%	96%	100%	N/A	N/A
Go	Goal – Provide consistent and prompt service when processing brand applications.						
4.	Process new brand recording applications with ten (10) business days of receipt.	actual	90%	95%	99%	99%	
		target	95%	92%	100%	100%	100%
Goal – Impound proceeds where ownership of livestock is questionable.							
5.	Allocate impounded proceeds to rightful owners.	actual	98%	98%	98%	97.5%	
		target	98%	98%	100%	100%	100%

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