



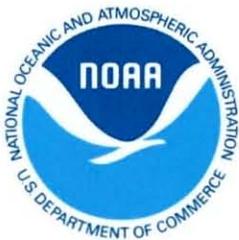
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# *State of Idaho* Silver Jackets

A life-cycle flood risk management team reducing flood risk through integrated planning, response and recovery.

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*State of Idaho*  
**SILVER JACKETS CORE TEAM CHARTER**  
*FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT TEAM*

This charter establishes and formalizes the expectations for implementation of the Silver Jackets team for the State of Idaho. The collaborative agreement forged by this charter in no way limits participating agencies from taking actions in accordance with their existing authorities and charges, nor does it encumber them with additional financial commitments to support the team or its recommendations.

This charter will be reviewed annually by the core member agencies and may be revised at any time per the consent of the core member agencies.

**Vision Statement:**

*Serve as a catalyst in developing comprehensive and sustainable solutions to flood hazard issues, including mitigation planning, flood hazard mapping, risk reduction activities, and response and recovery planning.*

**Mission Statement:**

The core member agencies will establish a continuous inter-governmental collaborative team working with other state and federal agencies to:

- Increase and improve flood risk communication and outreach among local, state, Tribal and federal agencies;
- Provide assistance in identifying and prioritizing actions to reduce the threat, vulnerability and consequences of flooding in the State of Idaho;
- Facilitate strategic planning and implementation of life-cycle mitigation, response and recovery actions to reduce the threat, vulnerability and consequences of flooding in the State of Idaho;
- Create or supplement a process to collaboratively identify issues and implement or recommend solutions;
- Identify and implement ways to leverage available resources and information between agencies;
- Increase and improve flood risk communication and outreach;
- Promote wise stewardship of the taxpayers' investments;
- Develop more comprehensive state flood risk management policies and strategies;
- Develop advanced hydrologic predictive services to reduce loss of life and property damage from flooding.

**Goals:**

1. Ensure continuous collaboration for flood mitigation, response and recovery activities before, during and after flooding.
2. Provide a forum for examining all types of solutions for flood risk management, including both non-structural and structural solutions.
3. Learn about partner agency programs, identifying limitations and opportunities, and combine programs to create integrated, comprehensive and sustainable solutions.
4. Create a multi-agency technical resource for state and local agencies.

5. Provide assistance in implementing high priority actions identified in state and local mitigation plans.
6. Improve flood risk communication and outreach, present a unified inter-governmental message, and better educate and advise our mutual stakeholders.
7. Identify and facilitate improvements to existing programs, policies and processes.
8. Identify other collaboration opportunities to combine resources and identify gaps in order to minimize duplication of effort.
9. Catalog and share information on past and future flood projects and initiatives.
10. Prioritize current and future flood risk mitigation initiatives individually and collectively.
11. Improve flood hazard mapping and risk analysis and linkages to advanced hydrologic prediction models.
12. Promote development of spatial data resources in support of flood risk analysis and communication.

### **Roles & Responsibilities:**

The team will be inter-governmental in nature. Membership will vary based on available resources and team focus; however, the core member agencies involved at all times include the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Idaho Department of Water Resources, Federal Emergency Management Agency, National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration / National Weather Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and the U.S. Geological Survey. The Walla Walla District will be the lead contact for the USACE and will coordinate routinely with Seattle and Sacramento Districts. Representatives may be from the regional and state levels of the organizations. As the inter-governmental agency team evolves, other state, federal and local agencies may choose to participate in this initiative. All participating agencies will contribute experience and information to all team efforts contingent upon agency authorities and available funding.

The lead agency will be USACE. The USACE representative will maintain and distribute a contact sheet. With the support of a team consensus, the leadership role may rotate among the core members. With the support of all team members, the agency assuming the leadership role is responsible for organizing, coordinating and facilitating team meetings, as well as recording and maintaining final meeting minutes. The representative of the lead agency may request assistance in performing any of these responsibilities.

### **Meetings:**

At a minimum, meetings will be conducted on a quarterly basis. Coordination may occur through email and teleconferencing. At least one meeting annually will be held face-to-face unless prohibited by funding constraints. Agendas for meetings shall go out at least one week prior to meeting. Draft minutes shall be distributed via email for comment. Meeting minutes and other team documents are posted on the website: <http://www.nfrmp.us/state/factIdaho.cfm>.

### **Decisions:**

Core Team decisions will be accomplished through consensus after discussion.



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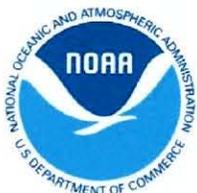


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