

IDAHO PANHANDLE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RAC PROJECT INFORMATION FORM

PROJECT NAME: Benewah County Noxious Weed Control-New Truck for Herbicide Application Activities	
Project Sponsor: Benewah County ID	
Sponsor's Address:	Dale Morlan, Noxious Weed Superintendent 376620 Highway 95 Desmet ID 83824
Sponsor's Phone:	208/274-2234 or 245-2234
Project Location: (Township/Range/ Please attach map) Benewah County ID including cities of St. Maries, Desmet, Tensed, Fernwood, Santa, Emida and Plummer.	
Partners/Volunteers:	
Is NEPA Complete On This Project? Yes	

Brief Description of Project:

Benewah County Noxious Weed Control is responsible for herbicide applications on approximately 760 miles of road right-of-way in the fight to control noxious weeds from the Idaho State noxious weed list. Also, the County is required to maintain specific areas (i.e. city streets, landfill property, public land trail heads) that may contain these same weeds or be susceptible to weed infestations.

The current vehicle being used by the County for the activity of weed control is a 1979 ¾ ton GMC and it has served its purpose. It's becoming harder to meet the responsibilities of weed control due to repairs and maintenance of a tired and deteriorating vehicle.

We request the acquisition of a 2009, ¾ ton pick-up truck, 4 X 4 with extended cab and standard bed. It will be used to haul our 200 gallon spray tank with boom-sprayer attachment, our pull-behind spray unit and/or our UTV/trailer combo.

The truck would be housed and maintained as part of the County fleet in the Tensed shop.

Quotes from three (3) major auto dealerships (GMC, Ford and Dodge) all put an approximate price of \$28,000.00 on a truck model with the requested options.

EXPECTED OUTCOME AND BENEFITS:

The new vehicle will

- Allow more time for spraying.
- Cost savings with less time on maintenance and repairs.
- Cost savings with better fuel efficiency.

PROJECT COSTS:	
RAC Funds Requested:	\$28,000
Partnership Funds Available Benewah Co. wages:	\$14,080
In-Kind/Volunteer Time FSA, Plummer ID 60 hr:	\$1,320
Other Sources of Funding:	

SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM TO:
<p>Idaho Panhandle RAC Attn: Ranotta McNair Idaho Panhandle National Forests 3815 Schreiber Way Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815</p> <p><i>For questions regarding submission, please contact Suzanne Endsley (208-765-7369).</i></p>