

Idaho Envirothon 2020

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Gooding High School Team A Comes Out On Top



First Place: Gooding High School A
Sponsored by Gooding SCD
Charlotte Brockman - Captain
Dale Shaw
Jacob Flick
Kaysie Freeman
Kylie Shaw
Becky Freiberg- Advisor

*Thank you so much for providing this
opportunity for the kids. You all went
above and beyond the call of duty to
prepare this contest. My students LOVE
Envirothon. You are all amazing!*

Becky Freiberg, Gooding Advisor

Rookie Team Award



Sponsored by
Kootenai-Shoshone SWCD
North Idaho STEM Academy

Madelyn Zilm – Captain
Julia Major
Daniel Simmons
Zoie Eskelson
Emma Williamson
Michelle Carlson, Advisor

*“Thank you all so much for the
opportunity to bring the kids the
envirothon experience this year!”*

Michelle Carlson – Advisor

Station Winners

Forestry-Gooding Team A
Aquatics- Gooding Team A
Soils- Gooding A
Wildlife-Lost River EcoLadies
Current Issue- Lost River EcoLadies,
Gooding A & B

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Organizations

- *Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts
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- *Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission
- *Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission
- *Idaho Hydro-Jetting Inc.
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- *Ag Concepts Corp
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- *Idaho Power
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- *Smithfield Foods
- *Thompson Creek Mine Frank & Kathy Weaver
- Lynn Bagley
- Sharon Bradley

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- Weiser River SWCD
- Wood River SWCD

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Second Place: Lost River EcoLadies

Sponsored by Butte SWCD

- Montana MacConnell - Captain
- Hadley MacConnell
- Josie MacConnell
- Alyssa Hawley
- EmmaRae Darland
- Lara Fondow – Advisor

“I am so impressed with the Idaho Envirothon Committee for their ambition and innovation in putting together a strong program for students in the face of adversity”

Lara Fondow, Butte Advisor



Third Place: Rigby High School FFA

Sponsor Jefferson SWCD

- Gary Rangel – Captain
- Jaysen Gessel
- Cody Cude
- Garrett Hill
- Kayleb Judy
- Lex Godfrey – Advisor

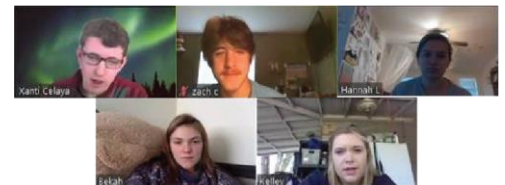
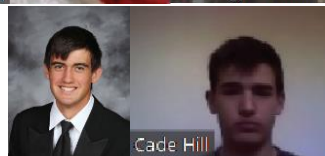
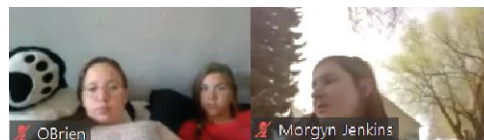
“Thank you to all involved for making this event possible! The opportunity provided to our students is valuable, especially during these uncertain times. Looking forward to when we can meet and share insights and learn from mentors face to face.”

Lex Godfrey, Rigby Advisor

Fourth Place: North Gem High School

Sponsored by Carabou

- Caemlyn Obrien – Captain
- Shannessy Obrien
- Morgyn Jenkins
- Tyler Labrouche
- Cade Hill
- Chris Banks – Advisor



Fifth Place – Gooding High School B

Sponsor: Wood River SCD

- Kennedi Cope - Captain
- Easton Utz
- Elexis Bennett
- Seth Scott
- Tanner Ray
- Becky Freiberg- Advisor

Thank you! We're excited, even though this year has been challenging and different and so many other things, we appreciate your efforts in our behalf!

Chris Banks, North Gem Advisor

I am absolutely AMAZED that you were all able to even do this! Going digital has been a very STEEP learning curve. It's like we are riding around on the Starship Enterprise! Thank you so much for all of your efforts!

Becky Freiberg, Gooding Advisor

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Thank You to Our Station Presenters!



Aquatics Presenter
Jennifer Cornell, Idaho Dept. of
Environment Quality

"I am so proud of our team, all first time participants, for their hard work and fantastic attitudes throughout their online experience." Lara Fondow, Butte Advisor



Soils Presenter
George Hitz, Idaho Soil and
Water Conservation
Commission



Wildlife Presenter
Mike Demick, Idaho Fish and Game



Forestry Presenter
Sharon Bradley, Idaho Forest
Service

"Thanks so much for doing this. It's been a crazy transition for all of us, but I know my kids that made it today are excited to be learning something new and be doing this."
Amanda Chaney, Weiser

Current Issue Presenter
Wesley Hipke, IWRB Recharge
Program



Note: Photos of presenters were not available this year due to Covid19. These are last year's photos during the blizzard of 2019

Aquatics Jennifer Cornell, Surface Water Analyst, Idaho Dept. Of Environmental Quality: Jennifer grew up in the Adirondack Mountains of Northern New York. She received her Bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture from the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF) and her Master's in Stream Ecology. She has worked as a freelance landscape designer and as a ArcGIS Professional for Onondaga County Planning Agency. She moved to Pocatello in 2006 with her husband and 2 children.

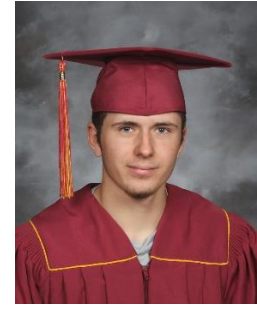
Soils George Hitz, Water Quality Resource Conservationist, Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission: George graduated from Oregon State University with a B.S. Degree in Crop and Soil Science in 2002. He has worked for NRCS as a Soil Scientist in Wyoming and Alaska, as an Agronomist/Natural Resource Specialist for the Fairbanks SWCD in Alaska, and has been a Certified Crop Advisor for the past 7 years. George and his family moved to Southeast Idaho from Montana and he started working for the ISWCC. He enjoys spending time with family, hunting, fishing, hiking, gardening, and traveling.

Wildlife Mike Demick, Easement-Water Rights Specialist/Communications Manager, Idaho Dept of Fish and Game. Mike holds an M.S. in Biology and Mass Communications from Idaho State University. He has worked for the Dept. of Fish and Game for over 24 years, 11 years as the Clearwater Region's Conservation Educator in Lewiston, 6 years as the Southeast Region's Volunteer Services Coordinator, and the last 6 years as the Information Supervisor at Headquarters. Mike grew up on a small farm in Idaho Falls and has family roots in the Salmon region. When not working, he enjoys a wide variety of outdoor recreation activities and spending time with friends and family.

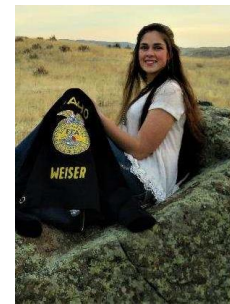
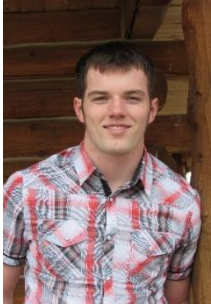
Forestry Sharon Bradley, Forest Service (Retired): Sharon attended the University of Idaho where she received her degree in Forest Resource Management. She has worked for the Caribou National Forest, Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station in Portland, the Palisades Ranger District in Targhee, and at the Salmon-Challis National Forest. She retired after 33 years but has continued to stay involved in youth education, this was her 21st year at Envirothon!

Current Issue Wesley Hipke - IWRB Recharge Program Manager for the State of Idaho. Wesley's almost 30 years of experience has been focused on solving water supply challenges. Has worked for the State of Arizona and Idaho in their respective managed recharge programs. Over Wesley's years of experience he has worked with a wide range of stakeholders using technology and data to assist water managers in solving a variety of issues that have become common in the western US Growing up on a small ranch in northern Nebraska left him with a lasting impression of the importance of water in our daily lives. Wesley went on to receive a B.S. in Geology from the University of Nebraska, a M.S. in Geology from Wichita State University and is a Professional Registered Geologist in the state of Idaho.

Idaho Envirothon 2020 Senior Spotlight



Gary Rangel, Rigby H.S. Kayleb Judy, Rigby H.S. Cody Cude, Rigby H. S. Garrett Hill, Rigby H.S. Jaysen Gessel, Rigby H.S.



Dale Shaw
Gooding H.S.

Kelly Huddleson
Gooding H.S.

Tanner Ray
Gooding H.S.

Montana
MacConnell – Butte

EmmaRae
Darland – Butte

Riata Chandler
Weiser H.S.

The 2020 Idaho Envirothon was held “on-line” for the first time in Envirothon History.

This year’s event was sponsored by the Idaho Envirothon Committee

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Daniel Simmons
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Zoie Eskelson
North Idaho STEM

Emma Williamson
North Idaho STEM

Tyler Labrouche
North Gem H.S.

The Idaho Envirothon Committee is pleased to offer these graduating seniors who participated this year a \$50 scholarship from Idaho Envirothon. Congratulations Seniors!!

Thank you for giving my students the opportunity to compete. They really appreciated the experience. Now we will really look forward to next year! Micki Keiser, Idaho City

A Big Thank You to our Volunteers Who Developed the First Ever Envirothon ONLINE Event

2020 “On-Line” Committee: Lynn Bagley (Teton SCD/Committee Chariman), Mindy Hawley-Vice Chair (Butte SWCD), Robbie Taylor-Treasurer (Madison SWCD, Clark SCD & IDEA), Tamra Cikaitoga (Yellowstone SCD & National Rep.), Frances Perkes (Butte SWCD), Karma Bragg (Custer SWCD), Pauline Bassett (Caribou SCD), Alesia Vollmer (South Bingham SCD), George Hitz (ISWCC), Steven Smith (Idaho DEQ), Rebecca Smith (Volunteer), Brandee Wells (Bear Lake SWCD), Staci Tripp, (Oneida SWCD), Jennifer Weathered (Butte SWCD/NRCS), Stephanie Barnes (Butte SWCD), Rob Sharpnack (ISWCC), Karen Sharpnack (Wood River SWCD)