

## Valley County Waterways Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes for April 7, 2026

Present: Committee Chairman - **Jally Zeydel**, Board Member - **Phil Moore, Grant Mangum, Steve Anderson**, Valley County Commissioner – **Neal Thompson**, Idaho Fish & Game – **Jordan Messner**, VCSO Patrol Seargent - **Danny Pierce**, VCSO Operations Lieutenant - **Jeremy Mitchell**, IDPR **Cadcade** State Park Manager – Dalton Crane

The meeting was called to order by Jally Zeydel at 9:01 am.

Grant Mangum made a motion to approve the minutes from March 3, 2026. Steve Anderson seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

### Old Business

- **Jally Zeydel** – Commissioners discussed establishing a working group consisting of different groups like VC Rec, VC Waterways, VCSO, IDFG, MC Park&Rec, and other local groups expressing concerns about changes to the Ordinance. Dave Bingaman will spearhead the effort. Jally discussed briefly the concerns regarding jetboats on the North Fork, and Jordan mentioned an incident on one of the Tributaries where trees were cut without permits to clear debris like Trees by jet boaters,. The ordinance does not address motorized boats on those. Other issues with the ordinance were briefly mentioned and will need to be addressed.
- **Steve Anderson** – Is concerned about the potential spread of invasive species if increased use is allowed on the North Fork. Steve is on the committee that is meeting to come up with a plan to eradicate milfoil.
  - **Phil Moore** – offered updates on milfoil plan and the committee that is in place to come up with a solution. Plans are being created but have yet to be finalized. Hope to have something to present to VCC on March 9, 2026
  - **Jordan Messner** – clarified that public approval is not necessarily being sought.
- **Jordan Messner** –
  - Warm Lake- Was not able to get an estimate as to what work could be accomplished. Will head out to Warm Lake next week and figure out what they can do (will have a forest service representative, Diego Sweet, and a contractor, Chad Jewell with Inland Marine) to assess and make improvements while still working within guidelines. Deferred maintenance will be addressed. Long term goals (5 yrs) will be reviewed. Efforts are supported by VCWC and would be willing to provide funds to help the effort. Strive to get things completed before Memorial Day.

- Horsethief Reservoir- County will take over management of Horsethief Campground. Some additional work will be done on extending waterlines as well as sewer lines. Taking a look at improving the boat ramp access to the lake.
- **Dalton Crane –**
  - Some damage to docks incurred and will be fixed before the Season
  - Poison Creek- Tamarack Marina incurred some noticeable damage to docks and piling which will need to be fixed. Grant Mangum – noticeable damage on docks at Tamarack due to high water from fall rains and the formation of ice.
- **Danny Pierce**
  - - Posted Seasonal Positions for upcoming summer season. 6 Applications have been submitted – 2 definite, and 2 are still being reviewed. Will possibly supplement with patrol officers.
  - Boats are ready to go for the summer – One boat had window damage which has been fixed
  - Start in-house training April 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Lakefork Boat Barn- Are evaluating cost and impact of adding parking pads for rv trailers for seasonal help. This includes water and sewer. Will have estimates to the committee who will determine what funds out existing budget can be used towards this.

Next meeting May 5, 2026, at 9am @ EOC

Grant Mangum motioned to adjourn the meeting. Steve seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote, meeting adjourned at 9:47am.