

The Sawtooth Society is committed to enhancing your Sawtooth National Recreation Area experience. Become a member and preserve, protect, and enhance the beautiful SNRA. Visit [www.sawtoothsociety.org](http://www.sawtoothsociety.org) and join today!

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

Individuals and organizations can help the Sawtooth Society accomplish its aggressive efforts to help preserve, protect and enhance the Sawtooth National Recreation Area in a number of ways.

**BECOME A MEMBER** Support our work by sending your tax-deductible donation to P.O. Box 209, Stanley, Idaho 83278 or go online at [www.sawtoothsociety.org](http://www.sawtoothsociety.org).

**TELL YOUR FRIENDS** Please pass along information to your friends, family and colleagues regarding the Society. We stand ready to help you get the word out in any way possible.

**DONATE AN AUCTION ITEM OR SERVICE** Our major annual fundraiser, the Sagebrush Soiree, is held each summer and we are always looking for unique items (outdoor related gear or services, travel destinations, art-work, etc.) that will appeal to those attending.

**ATTEND THE SAGEBRUSH SOIREE** All proceeds from this event go directly to help the Society accomplish its mission. It is the party of the summer in the Sawtooths! For the date and location reference [www.sawtoothsociety.org](http://www.sawtoothsociety.org).

**VOLUNTEER** Gather up 8 or 10 of your friends and help keep the SNRA a special place. If you let us know in advance, we can work with partners to find a significant project that will make a difference.



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### GET YOUR GOAT LICENSE PLATE TODAY

100% of the proceeds from the goat plate licenses go toward improving trails, campsites and other recreational facilities in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. Ask your friends to get their goat too!



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Formed in 1997, the nonprofit and nonpartisan Sawtooth Society is the only organization dedicated exclusively to protecting, preserving and enhancing the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

## THE SAWTOOTH NATIONAL RECREATION AREA (SNRA)

Comprises 756,000 acres of public and private land in Central Idaho and is used by outdoor enthusiasts and visitors annually who enjoy:

**FISHING** in three major rivers and hundreds of lakes and creeks.  
**HIKING** on the hundreds of miles of trails viewing over 50 snow capped peaks above 10,000' and countless lush meadows.  
**MOUNTAIN BIKING** on designated trails and gravel roads.  
**SKATESKIING / SNOWSHOEING** on scenic trails.  
**SNOWMOBILING** on groomed trails.  
**VIEWING AND PHOTOGRAPHING** the vast array of wildlife.  
**RIVER RAFTING** on world-class rivers.  
**CAMPING** in improved and designated camping areas.  
**ENJOYING** the many historic reminders of our pioneer heritage.

The spectacular beauty and varied world-class recreational opportunities are arguably unmatched anywhere in the world. Many come for brief "get aways", others for months on end, but all fall in love with the unparalleled scenic beauty and awe-inspiring solitude.

Congress sought to protect this magnificent area from intense and inappropriate development by creating the Sawtooth National Recreation Area in 1972. The Sawtooth Society works together with the U.S. Forest Service, other agencies and private sector groups to maintain and enhance this jewel and ensure an appropriate balance is struck between the historic, cultural and scenic values of the area, private property rights and the varied uses of the land.

## WHAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED...

### PRESERVED OPEN SPACE

- Stopped the most immediate threat of high-density subdivision development in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area by negotiating the purchase of conservation easements that have both protected the owner's private property rights and the public's interests in preserving open space.
- Worked with the Administration and Congress to secure \$17 million in federal funds for the purchase of conservation easements.

### ENHANCED RECREATION

- Invested more than \$500,000 in private funds on over 150 projects to maintain trails, campsites and other recreational facilities and services.
- Contributed to local community organizations like the Salmon River Clinic, Sawtooth Valley Volunteer Fire Department, the Sawtooth Historical and Interpretive Association, Sawtooth Ski Club, Sawtooth Search and Rescue and Mountain Mamas for a variety of projects to enhance the experiences of and safety for visitors and residents alike.
- Initiated and continue to provide ongoing management of a special Idaho motor vehicle license plate program – the goat plate — that annually generates thousands of dollars for recreation-related projects in the area.

- Led dozens of volunteer projects to rebuild fences, clean-up highways and maintain trails within the SNRA.
- Championed access for physically challenged individuals so all can enjoy the Sawtooths.

### ADVOCATED FOR ONGOING PROTECTION

- Mobilized policymakers and the public to address the threats facing the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, including highly visible surface mining on state-owned lands.
- Championed development of a long-term, strategic plan – Sawtooth Vision 20/20 – for the management of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. This plan was the result of a collaborative effort by representatives of more than 40 area stakeholder groups and is being implemented and updated each year.
- Encouraged the Congress and Administration to alleviate a series of budget cuts to the Sawtooth National Recreation Area's general operating budget.
- Established a coalition of public and private organizations to address the risk of catastrophic wildfire in the area.
- Published a booklet to increase public understanding and fair application of federal regulations for the use and development of private lands.
- Sponsored and conducted educational programs on the area's history, resources and wildlife.

