

**APPENDIX 3, Sawtooth Vision 20/20 Strategic Plan**

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Item Number	Short- or Long-Term	Value - Issue	Action	Purpose	Should be involved in Implementation
1	Short	ECS -Community services	Acquire some or all of the Harrah Trust properties and create a sustainable development plan	Develop city-owned or sponsored seasonal and service employee housing to bring stability to those employed in community services.	City of Stanley
2	Short	ECS -Infrastructure	Inventory and develop a plan to maintain, upgrade, or build new infrastructure ( sewer, telecommunications, roads and transportation, power, water, airports, RV and boat storage and any other infrastructure services) to meet the needs of the Sawtooth NRA in the long term	Develop a long-term plan for infrastructure	City of Stanley
3	Short	ECS -Community Services	Create and implement a plan to retain local business operators (currently losing multiple beds and services)	Create a healthy business climate that encourages local business development and retention	City of Stanley
4	Short	ECS -Community Services	Secure permanent, professional emergency medical staff and search out alternative funding	Improve stability and staffing for emergency services throughout the Sawtooth NRA	Stanley Clinic board with Forest Service
5	Short	ECS -Community Services	Work cooperatively with the Forest Service to develop a dynamic Sawtooth NRA website	Inform and educate visitors and residents about the core values, recreation opportunities, history, unique values, threats, are updates, etc.	NGO with Forest Service
6	Long	ECS -Affordable Housing	Provide diverse affordable housing (tent, RV, and fixed structures) for people who are employed full-time, part-time or seasonally in the Sawtooth NRA (look at state land trade opportunities)	Establish a stable workforce that helps stabilize the local economy	Coalition of Partners (Housing authority, Federal, State, County, and City)

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7	Long	ECS -Community Services	Relocate at least 1/2 of Sawtooth NRA Headquarters employees to the Stanley Basin	Stabilize the workforce and add families to the community	City of Stanley and the Forest Service.
8	Long	ECS -Community services	Establish a high school in the Stanley area	Stabilize the workforce and add families to the community	Challis School Board
9	Long	ECS -Community services	Keep Highways 21 and 75 between Salmon, Challis, Ketchum, Stanley, and Boise safe, reliable, and open year-round	Create a stable, year-round economy in Stanley	Stanley Chamber of Commerce with Idaho Department of Transportation
10	Long	ECS -Community Services ( a look ahead to future demand)	Locate and develop additional low-key RV and camping sites to handle tourist base (privately operated, future plans, low scenic impact)	Increase the services available for the RV and developed recreation tourist base	City of Stanley, Outfitter/Guides
11	Short	FW - Salmon Fisheries	Develop a political advocacy coalition for recovery of Sawtooth NRA wild salmon runs, including advocacy for bypass of four Lower Snake Dams if necessary (including a mitigation package for stakeholders negatively affected), other downstream hydrosystem improvements, harvest controls, hatchery reforms, and habitat restoration.	Recover salmon & other threatened and endangered anadromous fish species returning to the Stanley basin	Political and business entities...Mayor of Stanley with mayors of other river communities and Tribes

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13 (#12 combined with #39)	Short	FW - Salmon Fisheries/ Riparian habitat	Develop a streamlined process among management agencies for habitat restoration and fish protection projects, such as reconnecting streams, completing riparian fencing, restoring riverbank vegetation, removing barriers to fish migration, and other improvements.	Improve the efficiency and timeliness of riparian habitat restoration (including removing problems not just creating structures) by streamlining the analysis and decision-making process	Forest Service with NMFS
14	Short	FW - Wildlife	Develop a four-season public education program about fish and wildlife to explore contemporary issues and expand public appreciation.	Increase the public appreciation and understanding of all types of fish and wildlife, including large predators (e.g. wolves, black bear, mountain lion).	Forest Service, Sawtooth Society, Sawtooth Science Institute, U of Idaho, Idaho Parks and Recreation, Idaho Fish and Game (Interpretive/Education Coalition)
15	Short	FW - Salmon fisheries	Convene a Local Salmon Information Session as an accurate informative effort to educate cities and communities in the Sawtooth NRA and downstream about the benefits and challenges of salmon recovery.	Provide an opportunity for collaborative, mutual learning, and help establish an interest-based (rather than position-based) discussion	Sawtooth Society sponsors and facilitates conference
16	Short	FW - Wildlife	Develop written, local ordinances regarding wildlife feeding on private lands (including measures to prevent unintentional feeding such as requiring bear proof garbage containers)	Help curtail wildlife-vehicle collisions near current feeding sites, disease transmission and unnatural dependence on supplemental feeding.	City of Stanley with Counties
17	Short	FW - Wildlife	Develop and implement a wildlife-vehicle collision reduction program	Reduce wildlife mortality and improve motorist safety	Idaho Fish and Game with Idaho Transportation Department

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18	Long	FW - Salmon/Fisheries	Complete streambank stabilization/restoration projects in priority areas throughout the SNRA	Assist toward salmon recovery, & stable fish populations	Forest Service with Soil & Water Conservation Districts, IDFG
19	Long	FW - Fencing & wildlife impacts	Develop and implement uniform wildlife-friendly fencing standards for both public and private land ownerships	Provide uniformity across different land ownerships, minimize wildlife impact and eliminate wildlife injury and death from fences	Idaho Fish and Game with Forest Service
20	Long	FW- Fish & Wildlife	Collect monitoring data (using historic and current figures) on the impacts of motorized and non-motorized activity on wildlife and fish	Develop an accurate understanding of the impacts with credible information that can be used as a basis for future management actions	Forest Service, Sawtooth Society/NGO, IDFG
21	Short	HPS - Historic/ archaeological properties and structures	Restore, protect, preserve and interpret historic sites	Essential to the core values and desired conditions	Forest Service, State Historical Society, Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, and the Sawtooth Society
22	Short	HPS- Land Development/ Easements	Acquire Idaho Department of Lands properties within the Sawtooth NRA	Protect critical scenic resource and compliance with Sawtooth NRA core values	Coalition of Community leaders and Sawtooth Society
23	Short	HPS - Historic/ archaeological properties and structures	Identify and inventory additional historic sites	Provide baseline information for focusing actions on how and what to save and/or restore	Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association with the Forest Service, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes

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24	Short	HPS - Land Development/ Easements	Simplify the annual inspection of easement workload and streamlining the number of Forest Service employees involved in certification reviews	Ensure development of privately owned lands in the SNRA consistent with the intent of Public Law 92-400 and the Private Land Regulations	Forest Service
25	Short	HPS - Land Development/ Easements	Educate private owners/potential owners of voluntary compliance with Forest Service private land regulations	Encourage people to protect the critical scenic resource by helping them understand the value of this to the Sawtooth NRA	Sawtooth Society with the Forest Service
26	Short	HPS - Scenic [elevate "scenery" to an issue]	Remove unnatural highway fillslope encroachment by dog-haired lodge-pole pine trees	Restore (and prevent loss of) scenic vistas, particularly along Highway 21	To be determined
27	Short	HPS - Historic, Pastoral	Enact Dark Sky Ordinance	Protect critical scenic resource	Sawtooth Society, City of Stanley, Counties, Forest Service, SREC
28	Long	HPS - Land Development/ Easements	Accelerate acquisition of conservation easements, and include protection for scenic, recreation and other core values	Protect critical scenic, recreation and other core value resources in compliance with Sawtooth NRA legislation	Forest Service with Sawtooth Society, other NGOs
29	Long	HPS - Land Development/ Easements	Amend the Private Land Regulations to provide clarity in interpretation and more tools for enforcement (fines, liens, other, community design review committee)	Reduce ambiguity in interpreting compliance with regulations and increase consistency, make compliance and enforcement more reasonable	Forest Service with Counties
30	Long	HPS - Land Development/ Easements	Require compliance with updated Sawtooth NRA building design standards as part of the City of Stanley and county building permit approval process	Provide additional tools (beyond condemnation) for the enforcement of private land regulations	Forest Service with Counties and City of Stanley

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31	Short	NSE - Wild places	Stop development of lots along lower Valley Creek in Stanley by purchasing and/or exchanging lands and/or development rights	Protect riparian and floodplain habitats from development in the Valley Creek floodplain	NGO with County Government
32	Short	NSE - Wild places	Close existing motorized infrastructure on Railroad Ridge (and restore to natural condition)	Protect a key and unique ecosystem by reducing negative human impacts on Railroad Ridge	Forest Service
33	Short	NSE - Invasive species	Establish vehicle wash stations and livestock decontamination corrals at key entrance locations as a means to be certified weed free	Reduce the threat of new infestation of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species	Sawtooth Society with CWMA's
34	Short	NSE - Fire/Invasive/Wild Places	Develop and implement a motorized access management strategy, including effective permitting, consistent with desired conditions	Control motorized access to reduce fire starts, reduce the spread of invasive species, protect over-wintering wildlife during vulnerable times of the year, and enhance the integrity of wild places	Forest Service
35	Short	NSE - Invasive species	Develop response plans to specific land and water disturbances that invite invasive species	Reduce the threat of new infestations of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species	County Weed Management Areas with Sawtooth Society
36	Short	NSE - Fire	Develop "personal responsibility" policy for new construction, and compliance of existing structures to appropriate fire protection standards, in difficult-to-defend circumstances (e.g.: thick forest, difficult access, remote locations)	Reduce the loss of property and human life, and facilitate wildland fire use	Custer County, Blaine County, Boise County
37	Long	NSE - Fire	Develop prescribed fire and wildland fire use plan for Sawtooth NRA	Integrate fire back into the natural, sustainable ecosystem	Forest Service
38	Long	NSE - Fire	Create defensible fire corridors/units near developments and facilities	Reduce the danger of property loss and facilitate wildland fire use	Forest Service with local government

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39	Long	NSE - Wild places	Lease/purchase water rights, and acquire additional water through legal and administrative changes, to increase in-stream flow	Restore the aquatic ecosystem throughout the Sawtooth NRA by restoring in-stream flows to natural levels	National Marine Fisheries Service with Idaho Department of Water Resources
40	Long	NSE - Invasive species	Develop an extensive, coordinated approach with residents, visitors and other volunteers to control existing infestations of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species	Increase the awareness, and control the spread, of existing invasive species	County Weed Management Areas with Sawtooth Society
41	Long	NSE - Fire	Develop education programs to explain fire to visitors and residents, using the most current research and science	Increase awareness of fire significance and management	Idaho Department of Lands with Forest Service
42	Short	REC - OHV/Travel management	Identify and designate motorized and non-motorized recreation roads, trails, and areas (closed to motorized use unless posted open)	Provide opportunities for both groups to enjoy their activities without conflict or resource impacts (particularly impacts on fish and wildlife)	Forest Service
43	Short	REC -OHV/Travel management	Increase the number of trained individuals enforcing FS travel and other regulations, especially on weekends and hunting season	Improve visitor experience and reduce resource damage	Forest Service with Idaho Fish and Game and Parks and Recreation
44	Short	REC - Visitor services	Create a new visual identity for the Sawtooth NRA and improve availability and quality of visitor information at portal sites, major trailheads and activity centers, and with the website	Provide easy to understand and up-to-date information, and create an expectation that this is a special place with unique values, opportunities and management	Forest Service with Sawtooth Society
45	Short	REC - Visitor services	Assess adequacy of recreation infrastructure for future use demand (Including dispersed camping/use impacts)	Provide adequate recreation infrastructure consistent with Sawtooth NRA core values	Forest Service

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46	Short	REC - OHV/Travel management	Create a peer-group to assist law enforcement officers by monitoring compliance with FS travel and other regulations, especially on weekends and hunting season.	Increase effectiveness of law enforcement and user education efforts for motorized travel	OHV Group with Forest Service
47	Short	REC - Visitor services	Explore means to reimburse counties for search and rescue and emergency service expenses not recovered from the user	Recognize the high cost of SAR to the counties and try to find a way to lessen the burden on them for services to non-residents	Counties
48	Long	REC - Recreation Uses/Visitor Services	Build warming huts and overnight huts in key areas, and possibly connect with existing hut system	Increase, and disperse, winter recreation opportunities by improving visitor comfort and convenience in key areas	Forest Service; Outfitter/Guide Licensing Board; Outfitters, ski clubs, Blaine Co. Rec District
49	Long	REC - Recreation Uses/Visitor Services	Install winter toilet facilities in key recreation areas	Increase, and disperse, winter recreation opportunities by improving visitor comfort and convenience; Improve health and safety	Forest Service with Idaho Parks and Recreation