WHY BECOME AN ICL WILDERNESS STEWARD?

If you’re like us, you find yourself in Idaho’s beautiful backcountry on your days off. Recreate with purpose, and give back to Idaho’s public lands while doing what you love in the outdoors! ICL Wilderness Stewards hit the trail on independent patrols in some of central Idaho’s wilderness areas to explore, clean-up, and help report data back to the U.S. Forest Service. Being an ICL Wilderness Steward means getting to do meaningful, rewarding work while learning new skills alongside experts in the field.

WHAT DOES AN ICL WILDERNESS STEWARD DO?

The tasks volunteers complete are very adaptable to each person’s abilities and interests. Common tasks completed include:

- Reducing the size or naturalizing campfire rings
- Removing waste
- Chatting with fellow hikers and area visitors
- Collecting data for the U.S.F.S
- Reporting trail conditions and high-use areas
- Having fun on public land while giving back
WHO CAN BECOME AN ICL WILDERNESS STEWARD?

An ICL Wilderness Steward is anyone 18 or older who is committed to volunteering time to restore, protect, and enhance wilderness character.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE:

- Loves central Idaho’s backcountry and Wilderness areas
- Has solid backcountry travel/decision-making skills
- Is in good physical condition to travel long distances on natural surfaces at high elevation
- Possesses excellent communication skills
- Is or can become First Aid/CPR certified
- Has knowledge of Leave No Trace (LNT) principles

WHEN DO ICL WILDERNESS STEWARDS PATROL?

ICL Wilderness Stewards patrol May through November.

HOW ARE ICL WILDERNESS STEWARDS TRAINED?

Stewards are required to attend a full day of training with Idaho Conservation League and the U.S.F.S where you will learn about the Wilderness Act, Leave No Trace principles, community engagement, invasive species, data collection and trip reports, regulations, conduct/ethics, campsite naturalization, dark sky monitoring, and more! After the first training, ongoing education opportunities will be available to help strengthen your knowledge and understanding of the land, water, and wildlife you love!

WHERE DO ICL WILDERNESS STEWARDS PATROL?

- Cecil D. Andrus White Clouds Wilderness
- Craters of the Moon National Monument and Reserve
- Hemingway-Boulders Wilderness
- Jim McClure-Jerry Peak Wilderness
- Salmon-Challis Recommended Wilderness areas
- Sawtooth Wilderness

WANT TO JOIN THIS GREAT GROUP OF PUBLIC LAND LOVERS?

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