

# UI Extension Update

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## 2022 Workshops

### April

#### Avoiding Problems with Wildlife

April 19, 2022

Orofino, ID

#### Weed Management in Field & Forest

April 21, 2022

Orofino, ID

#### How to Plan & Manage a Timber Harvest on Your Property

April 28, 2022

Orofino, ID

### May

#### Introduction to Cattle Ownership, Management, & Grazing

May 3, 2022

Orofino, ID

#### Introduction to Forest & Land Management

May 26, 2022

Orofino, ID

#### Climate Change & Salmon in the Snake River Basin

TBA

On-Line

### June

#### Forest Insect & Disease Field Day

June TBA

Orofino, ID

## 2022 Programs

Greetings everyone! We are hoping to get back to more live programming this year after two years when many of our programs were conducted on-line. While we may still do some on-line programming this year, we are planning to provide most of our programs live.

We are also planning to offer some new programs this year including a program on addressing negative wildlife encounters with you and your property, climate change impacts to Snake River salmon, introduction to forest and land management, and maybe some others that are still in the planning stages.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in person again this year!

Bill

## Drought Intensification Forecast

By Bill Warren

The big weather and climate news this winter is drought. According to the National Integrated Drought Information System (NDIS) most of North-central Idaho is in some classification of drought, including Extreme Drought, with the northern part of Clearwater County classified as Abnormally Dry. Last year at this time our region and most of Idaho was only classed as Abnormally Dry.

Furthermore, NIDIS has issued a drought intensification warning for Idaho stating that it and four other “western states are on the precipice of drought intensification . . . if below-normal precipitation continues, as is being suggested by sub seasonal forecasts and historical odds.” As you know we have not had substantial moisture since early January.

NIDIS states that “Short and long-term drought impacts (e.g., poor pasture conditions, limited water supply and recreational opportunities, high fire potential) are likely to intensify and expand given what are expected to be multiple dry years.”

#### Forest Landowners Peer Learning Field Day—Kamiah

June 6, 2022

#### Forest Landowners Peer Learning Field Tour—Orofino

June TBA

#### Reducing Wildfire Risk to Your Home & Outbuildings

June 21, 2022

On-Line

### July Youth Programs

#### Sixth Grade Forestry Tour

July 12 & 13, 2022

#### 4H Camp

July 15—18, 2022

We are still working on potentially scheduling some additional programs for spring and early summer. We will announce these at a later time.

#### LEAP Update 2022

Lewiston, ID

March 8, 2022

Call: 208-885-7718

#### Logging First Aid/Safety Training

March 10 or March 31, 2022

Orofino, ID

Pre-registration required call:

208-667-6473

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While the Clearwater Basin snowpack (snow water equivalent) is still in the normal range (96% at the time of this writing), the percentage has been dropping due to a lack of precipitation and is expected to drop further without significant precipitation.

Additionally, climate models indicate greater odds for a hotter and dryer summer season than normal for 2022.

While these are only predictions and may not turn out this bad, you might want to take this information into account in your planning for this spring and summer.

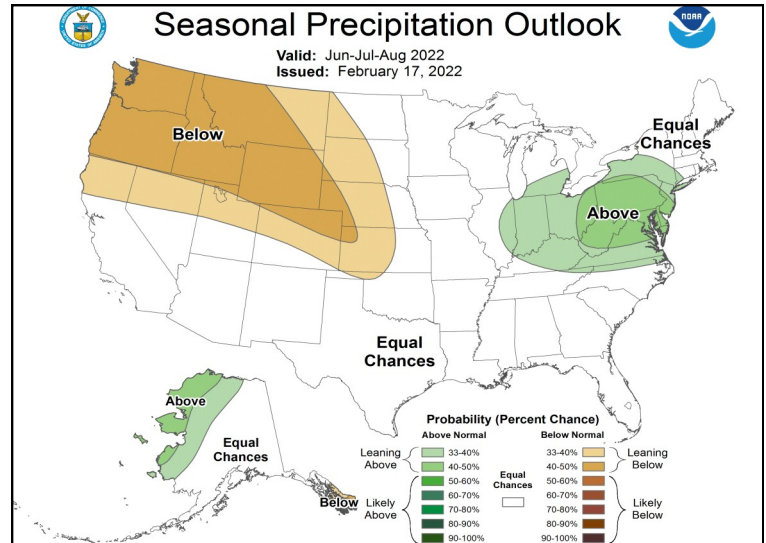
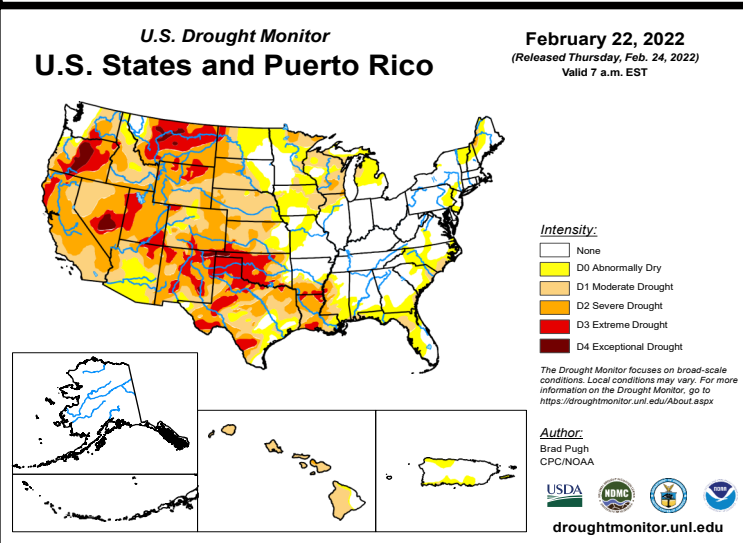
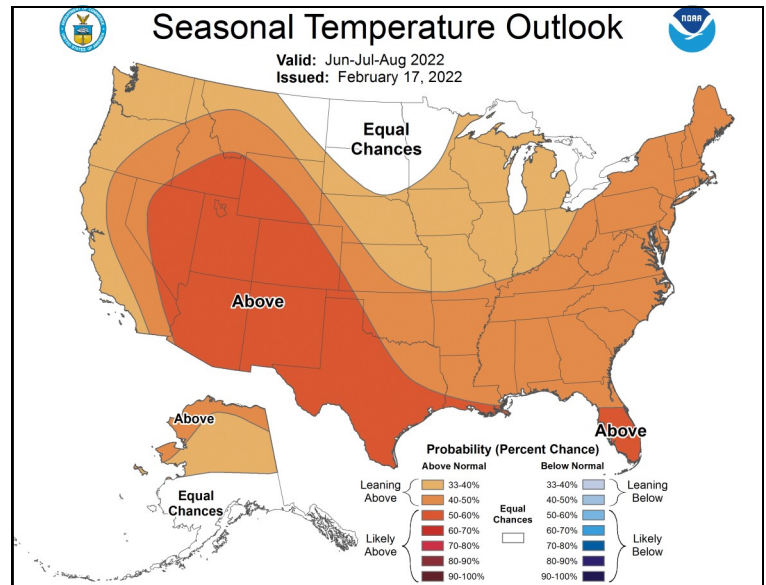
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**Climate Change & Salmon in the Snake River Basin**

**May  
TBA  
On-Line**

Contact UI Extension—Clearwater County for more information (208) 476-4434



**A Sampling of Current Log Prices from Local Mills— March 2022**  
Per thousand board feet (mbf) (Preferred lengths)

|                                    | Douglas Fir<br>Larch | Grand Fir<br>White Fir | Ponderosa<br>Pine | Cedar         | Spruce,<br>Lodgepole | White Pine | Blued Pine |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Empire Lumber<br>208-435-4703      | \$375-450            | \$325-400              | \$100             | \$1,175-1,300 | \$300-350            | \$300-350  | \$80       |
| Idaho Forest Group<br>208-507-0783 | \$225-535            | \$200-510              | \$75-250          | \$550-1,450   | \$160-435            | \$75-150   | \$50       |
| Bennett Lumber<br>509-758-5558     | \$190-585            | \$215-550              | \$175-475         | \$800-1,575   | \$175-435            | \$175-475  | \$100      |

Bennett Lumber prices change monthly

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We now have on-line registration. We also have on-line, over the phone, and in-person electronic payment capabilities.

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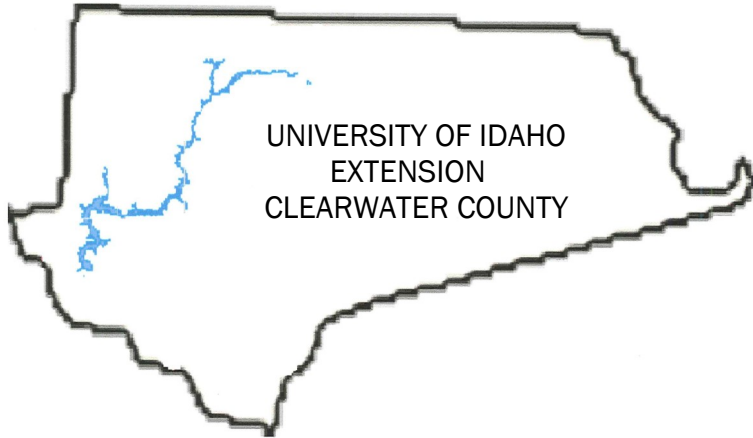
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