Idaho Forest Practices Act Rule Summaries IFPA - Winter Operations

Rule 040.05 Winter Operations. Due to risk of erosion and damage from roads and constructed skid trails inherent in winter logging, at minimum the following shall apply:

- a. Roads to be used for winter operations must have adequate surface and cross drainage installed prior to winter operations. Drain winter roads by installing rolling dips, driveable cross ditches, open top culverts, outsloping, or by other suitable means.
- b. During winter operations, roads will be maintained as needed to keep the road surface drained during thaws or break up. This may include active maintenance of existing drainage structures, opening of drainage holes in snow berms and installation of additional cross drainage on road surfaces by ripping, placement of native material or other suitable means.

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