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An volunteer teaches children about stream ecology and the importance of macro-invertebrates.

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Experience

Learning new things

Meeting new people

Idaho's natural world

Connect

With nature

With your community

With others who have similar interests

With professionals

Contribute

Help conserve Idaho's environment

Collect scientific data

Teach children

Become an Idaho Master Naturalist



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The Idaho Master Naturalist Program aims to develop a corps of well-informed volunteers to actively work toward stewardship of Idaho's natural environment.



Who can become an Idaho Master Naturalist?

Any adult who enjoys nature and is interested in learning more. If you enjoy outdoor recreation, bird watching, identifying plants and animals, gardening, and supporting conservation, this program is for you!

Idaho Master Naturalists can volunteer at nature centers, give programs to children, help biologists collect data, monitor wildlife, assist at parks and natural areas, or contribute to many other conservation efforts.

Anyone who enjoys and appreciates Idaho's outdoors can be an Idaho Master Naturalist; teachers, hunters, nature guides, farmers, retired professionals, and ...you!



Through the Idaho Master Naturalist Program you will:

- Participate and guide conservation efforts.
- Join a statewide network of dedicated, trained volunteers who work toward conservation.
- Further your education and interest in nature.
- Have an opportunity to give back to your community.



Volunteers getting ready for a butterfly survey

Start an Idaho Master Naturalist Chapter in your community!

If you would like to see an Idaho Master Naturalist chapter in your community, contact us.

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Study the natural world of Idaho and make a difference!

An Idaho Master Naturalist completes 40 hours of hands-on, experiential training about Idaho's ecology, plants, animals and natural systems. Master Naturalists have a choice between two tracks:

The **Conservation Education track** prepares participants to help nature center staff, teachers, agencies, and nonprofit organizations teach children and adults about nature and why conservation is important. Staffing an agency booth, giving a program to school children, helping organize a wildlife festival might be some activities for participants of this track.

The **Citizen Scientist track** prepares participants to help biologists and researchers collect data and monitor plants and animals. Collecting water samples, monitoring bald eagle nests, banding birds, inventorying plants might be some activities a Citizen Scientist would do.