Every year the Idaho Native Plant Society (INPS) awards grants through the Education Research Inventory Grant (ERIG) program. Since 2005 the INPS has awarded over $24,000 in grants of up to $1000. Continuing in that tradition in 2019, the INPS will partner with projects that contribute to the appreciation, conservation, or knowledge of Idaho’s native flora and vegetation. The purpose of the ERIG program is to stimulate and lend support to educational, research, and conservation activities that promote an appreciation for native plants and plant communities in Idaho. The Idaho Native Plant Society encourages you to submit a proposal for projects that may qualify. The deadline for submitting proposals is March 31, 2019.

Grant guidelines: The ERIG program is intended to support direct project costs. Grant proposals should not include expenses for salary and personal benefits, the purchase of personal equipment, equipment not dedicated to the project, or other expenses not essential to the project. Here are some examples of costs the grant may cover:

- Direct costs of travel, meals, and lodging for the project.
- Indirect costs will not be funded.
- Supply and service expenses used for the sole purpose of the project (e.g., native plant material, interpretive signs, lab materials).
- Printing costs for public outreach material or research publications.

Application procedure and requirements.

Proposals must contain the following information. Please be succinct:

1. **Project Title.**
2. **Contact Information:** Name, address, phone number, organization/affiliation, and email.
3. **Project Description:**
   a. Outline the project objectives, methods, and final product.
   b. Explain how the project will benefit the appreciation, conservation, or knowledge of Idaho’s native flora or vegetation.
   c. Will there be public access to the project.
   d. Describe how project success will be evaluated.
4. **Itemized budget:** Outline an overall project budget, including the amount you are requesting (up to $1,000). Include other funding sources.
5. **Timeline:** Please provide a timeline for completion of all major milestones associated with the project, including presentation of the results.

Project proposals must pertain to native plants of Idaho. Please limit grant requests to a maximum of $1,000, and be aware that less may be awarded due to INPS budget constraints and the number of applications submitted. Recipients of these awards have a timeline of two years from the date of the written award to complete their projects. Successful applicants will be required to submit a final report to the INPS documenting project accomplishments and a summary of the project to be published in the INPS newsletter, Sage Notes. We encourage applicants to become an INPS member if they are not already, however, membership is not a prerequisite to apply for, or receive an ERIG grant.

Please submit proposals by email to Bob McCoy at sawabi.inps@gmail.com or by post to: ATTN: ERIG Committee Chair, Idaho Native Plant Society, P.O. Box 9451, Boise, ID 83707