IDAHO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

SOLICITATION OF ERIG PROPOSALS FOR 2026

To support its mission, Idaho Native Plant Society (INPS) annually grants awards through the Education Research Inventory Grant (ERIG) Program. Since 2005 INPS has awarded over \$40,000 in grants that stimulate and lend support to educational, research, and conservation activities that promote an appreciation for native plants and plant communities in Idaho. Continuing in that tradition in 2025, INPS will partner with projects that contribute to the appreciation, conservation, and knowledge of Idaho's native flora and vegetation with grants of up to \$1,500. Idaho Native Plant Society encourages you to submit a proposal for projects that may qualify. The deadline for submitting proposals is Monday, **December 29, 2025**.

GRANT GUIDELINES: The ERIG program is intended to support direct project costs. Grant proposals should not include expenses for salary and personnel benefits, the purchase of personal equipment, equipment not dedicated to the project, or other expenses not essential to the project. Indirect costs such as administrative costs will not be funded. Expenditures shall be verified by receipt submittals. Here are examples of expenses the grant may cover:

- Direct costs of travel, meals, and lodging for the project.
- 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 as line items in the application. 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.
 - c. Where applicable, 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 \$1,500). 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 \$1,500 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 award to complete their projects. Successful applicants are required to submit a summary of the project to be published in the INPS newsletter, **Sage Notes**. INPS membership is not a prerequisite to apply for, or receive, a Program grant.

Please submit proposals by email to the Committee at ERIGCommittee@gmail.com (refer to "ERIG proposal" in the subject line) or by mail to: Idaho Native Plant Society, ATTN: ERIG Committee Chair, P.O. Box 9451, Boise, ID 83707