



**Total acreage of
landscape: 800,000**
(413,000 NFS)

Partners

- Boundary County Commissioners
- Boundary Soil Conservation District
- City of Bonners Ferry
- Elk Mtn. Farms
- Grizzly Bear Committee
- Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
- Idaho Department of Lands
- Idaho Fish & Game Commission
- Idaho Fish & Game Department
- Idaho Forest Group
- Kootenai Tribe of Idaho
- Kootenai Valley Sportsman
- Natural Resource Conservation Service
- Pheasants Forever
- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
- The Nature Conservancy
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- Vital Ground Foundation



Whitebark pine restoration with controlled burns in the Selkirk Mountains. © U.S. Forest Service

The Kootenai Valley provides winter range for big game, with uplands providing habitat for caribou, grizzly bear, and lynx, as well as bull trout and other fisheries. Most of the fish and wildlife species native to the lower Kootenai watershed are still present. Thinning treatments are providing commercial timber and biomass opportunities, while controlled burns are reducing the risk of damaging megafires, improving water quality, enhancing wildlife habitat, and addressing insect infestation across the 39,430 acre CFLR project area.

2015 Results

- 161 jobs created or maintained on a yearly average
- \$12.7 million of total labor income
- 13,889 acres of wildlife habitat restored
- 51,183 CCF of timber sold
- 7,517 acres of hazardous fuels reduced

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For all of his 58 years Dan Dinning has lived in Boundary County, Idaho. His earliest memories are of fishing and hunting with his grandfather and father in the Hall Mountain area. All of his life has been spent enjoying the outdoors with his family, especially in the Selkirk Mountains.

Dan still lives in Boundary County and is working to keep those memories alive as a County Commissioner.



Dan Dinning

“I became a Commissioner to help the community maintain and grow the natural resource jobs that the lands provide, while seeking to restore health of the landscape.”

Dan is a strong supporter of the Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative CFLR, and has been engaged in the effort to restore the forest for over 15 years.

“The project is a critical tool for us to maintain our way of life here in Boundary County. It is putting people to work, improving water quality, habitat, and forest health. This is being accomplished with our Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative group.”

Dan adds, “It is my hope that my children, and many future generations will reap the benefit of what we are doing today, that they may share this place with their own families just as I have been able to do.”