

## **General INLC Talking Points**

### **Who we are:**

- 501c3 tax exempt non-profit organization
- Office locations in Spokane Washington and Coeur d'Alene Idaho

**Our Mission:** To conserve, care for, and connect with lands and waters essential to life in the Inland Northwest

**Our Vision:** A future of interconnected natural habitats throughout the Inland Northwest, supporting thriving populations of native plants and wildlife, respected, and enjoyed by all who call this region home.

**Values:** The Conservancy's number one value is the *love of nature*. Our work is driven by a deep love of the natural world and its processes. Secondly, we value *perpetuity*. We steward lands and resources so that our work outlives us. The value of *discernment* informs our work. We make choices based in science that maximize our enduring conservation impact. And lastly, we value *collaboration*. We build relationships and deliver results.

### **INLC Contact Information:**

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### **Where we work:**

- 7 counties in Northeastern WA and North Idaho
- Spokane, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Stevens, Ferry, Kootenai, and Bonner

### **How people can get involved:**

- Become a member by making a gift of any size; [InlandNWLand.org/give-today](http://InlandNWLand.org/give-today)
- Attend an event and learn more about our work: [InlandNWLand.org/events](http://InlandNWLand.org/events)
- Become a Volunteer Land Steward and be our eyes and voice on the land to educate others about its importance, and how to be good stewards themselves: [InlandNWLand.org/volunteer](http://InlandNWLand.org/volunteer)
- Subscribe to updates on our website: [InlandNWLand.org/news](http://InlandNWLand.org/news)
- Follow us on social media (Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, LinkedIn) @InlandNWLand

### **How to donate:**

- Give online at [inlandnwland.org/give-today](http://inlandnwland.org/give-today)
  - Use the form
  - Or give by PayPal
- Check made out to Inland Northwest Land Conservancy
  - Sent to 35 w Main Ave Suite 210, Spokane, Washington 99201

## **Statistics:**

- Protected over 23,000 acres
- Protected more than 125 miles of waterways
- 3 public preserves

## **In 2023:**

- 13 new project areas totaling over 8,700 acres of protected lands
- Partnership events that help deepen our community's connection to nature
- Increased connectivity between protected, natural spaces in the Spokane region
- More inclusive events for all skill levels and abilities

## **Recent projects:**

- **Drewes Farm on South Hill:** 14 acres adjacent to a future YMCA facility. This land is intended for wetland restoration and the eventual creation of a community space with trails, intact ecosystems, and educational opportunities about our local natural environment.
- **Camp Stidwell:** Kiwanis Camp near Lake Pend Oreille is protected by a legal agreement ensuring that it will forever be protected from development. Thousands of young people use the camp every year to come in contact with and learn about nature.
- **Andrews Farm:** Historic farmland near Fernan Lake is protected by a legal agreement, according to the matriarch's wishes when she passed away. Before her children sold the land, a generous donor covered the stewardship costs through his required minimum distribution, allowing for its permanent protection. The new owners are delighted with their home and know that it will forever be a safe haven for plants and wildlife thanks to this protection.
- **Rimrock to Riverside:** One hundred and twenty acres of land between Palisades Park and Riverside State Park has been permanently protected and, in 2022, transferred to the ownership and management of City Parks through the County Conservation Futures program. INLC worked with conservation angels, the local community, and private philanthropists to purchase and protect this land forever, creating an 11-mile wildlife corridor. The community will also have access to this space, contiguous with Palisades Park and someday to be seamlessly connected with Riverside with a bridge over the BNSF railroad.