

CLEARWATER COUNTY

Idaho Opportunity Zone

OPPORTUNITY ZONE OVERVIEW

This opportunity zone represents all of Clearwater County, including four incorporated municipalities: Elk River, Orofino, Pierce and Weippe.

Ready access to natural resources make it suitable for recreational technology firms looking to build and

test their products right in their backyard.

The county's economic development team is focused on housing and is also currently working on a marketing campaign to attract a cross-laminated timber manufacturer to the area.

WHAT'S IN THE ZONE?



Access to US Highway 12 and State Highway 11



Clearwater River, Kelly Creek, Dworshak and four inland reservoirs, and two fish hatcheries



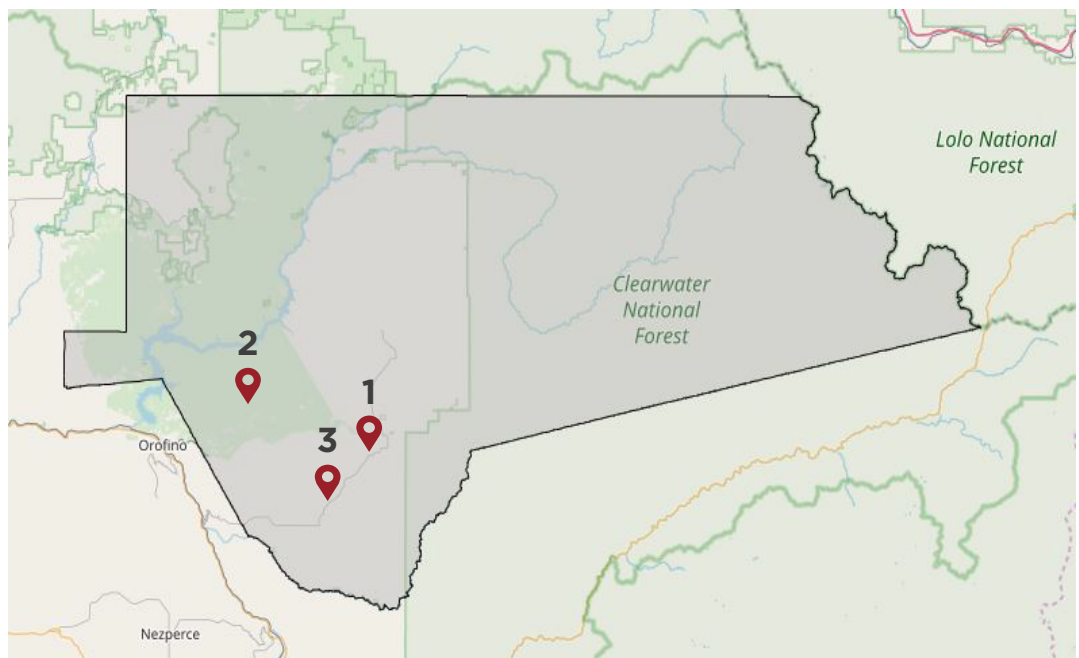
Railroad access



More than five backcountry airstrips

INVESTMENT SITES

- SH 11, Weippe, 83553**
Vacant, industrial, manufacturing, mixed use; 80-787 acres.
- 84 Grangemont Rd., Orofino, 83544**
Manufacturing, industrial, business | park, mixed use for wholesale; 25 acres.
- Multiple residential and mixed use development sites.



Quick Facts About Clearwater County

8,535

Population

6.4%

Unemployment Rate

\$43,790

Median Income

25.4%

Population with College Degree

HISTORY

Clearwater County has strong ties to natural resource management and industry. Logging, lumber manufacturing, forest landscape and fisheries management represents 25% of the economy including private and public sector employers.



REC-TECH

Clearwater County experiences continuous growth and development in the recreation technology business sector with companies such as NightForce and SJX Jet Boats acting as focal points that are spurring smaller support businesses to emerge and grow.

The county is home to tool manufacturer AAA Precision Tool, and CNC Tech and NN Machine, both high quality machines shops working in the firearms, aeronautics and medical industries. Additionally, advanced welding firms are in growth mode to meet the needs of the local and regional jet boat sector.

LOCAL PRIORITIES

There is an increased need in this opportunity zone for more modern, middle class and entry-level housing.



Clearwater County is focused on diversification and building on existing clusters including jet boat and arms-related manufacturing, healthcare and value-added wood products.

Businesses and residents alike are drawn to this zone for easy access to its natural resources, low crime and rural lifestyle, but the county's natural resources also offer opportunities for land-water-air based business development and industry sectors that support existing manufacturers and healthcare. The economic development team is also working with public and private partners in attracting value added wood product companies.



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