

# NEZ PERCE TRIBE

## Idaho Opportunity Zone

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### OPPORTUNITY ZONE OVERVIEW

This Nez Perce Tribe Opportunity Zone includes direct access to US 12 highway and serves as a hub and gateway to several outdoor recreational amenities. As such, the zone is transitioning from

timber to tourism and recreational technology industries.

The zone is home to the former Richardson Mill site, a location ripe for redevelopment.

### WHAT'S IN THE ZONE?



Access to US Highway 12



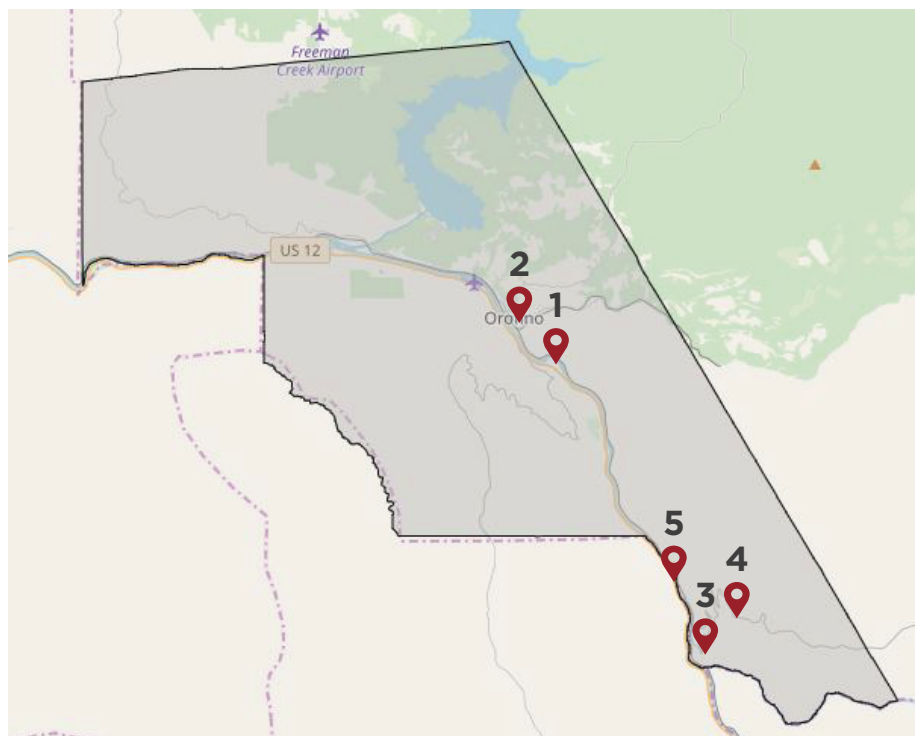
Clearwater River and the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery



Near more than three regional airports

### INVESTMENT SITES

- 1. Mile point 45.4, US Highway 12**  
Greenfield peninsula, potential tourism site.
- 2. 11320 US Highway 12**  
Retail shop space formerly used to sell sporting goods.
- 3. Star Cedar Mill**  
70 acre mill site on Hwy 12.
- 4. Blue North Mill**  
112 acres of vacant flat land, adjacent to the Clearwater river.
- 5. Allotment 1359A**  
20 acres of flat land near gas station and grocery store.



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## Quick Facts About the Nez Perce Reservation

# 18,437

Population

# 52.2%

Labor Force  
Participation  
Rate

# \$12,652

Median Income

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## NEZ PERCE HISTORY

The Nez Perce Tribe or “Niimiipuu” (The People) originally occupied the vast territory, estimated at 13 million acres, in what is now north central Idaho, southeast Washington and northeast Oregon. The Nez Perce were small but mighty. They lived in many villages and were led by principle chiefs or sub chiefs of the villages.

Today, the Nez Perce Tribe is a federally recognized tribal nation and is consistently one of the top three regional employers in North Idaho, contributing millions of dollars to Idaho’s economy.

## INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS POTENTIAL

The Nez Perce Tribe Opportunity Zone is ideal for businesses in the biomass industry, environmental cleanup and monitoring, retail businesses based on scenic beauty and small town authenticity, recreational businesses, or light manufacturing.



Clearwater County, home of the Nez Perce Tribe, has a heritage of logging and agriculture, and many businesses in the area historically supported these industries.



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