

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR USE OF START CARD
DRILLING PERMITS
AND
PRE-SOLD WELL I.D. TAGS

Updated March 2017

The use of “Start Cards” to obtain approval for the construction of *Single Family Residential* wells is a privilege extended by the Department only to Idaho Licensed Well Drillers. The Department reserves the right to suspend or revoke a driller’s privilege to use start cards if a driller fails to comply with these procedures and all applicable laws or rules related to well drilling and well construction in Idaho. To be eligible to use start cards a drilling company’s Principal Driller must sign and return to the Department page 3 of this procedure acknowledging that he has read these procedures and agrees to comply with the associated requirements.

1. Start Card Drilling Permits must **ONLY be used** for the construction of **one Single Family Residential** “Domestic” well. Start cards are subject to the following additional conditions and restrictions:
 - a. The production casing or pump chamber of the completed well must not exceed eight (8) inches nominal diameter.
 - b. The well owner and Licensed Driller are responsible for complying with all applicable Administrative Rules in addition to the conditions of approval on the drilling permit.
 - c. The completed and signed Start Card must be received by the appropriate regional office in the area you will be drilling, at least two (2) office hours prior to starting construction (keep all fax confirmations for your records). Start cards received by the Department after 3:00 pm Friday are not valid until the following Monday. **Start Cards received by the Department that are incomplete, illegible or have inaccurate information are not valid.**
 - d. Start Cards submitted via U.S. Mail must be mailed at least three business days prior to drilling. Start Cards submitted by U.S. Mail are not valid to drill until they have been received by the appropriate regional office in the area where the well is proposed to be drilled. The licensed well driller is responsible for confirming with the Department that a Start Card has been received and is valid for construction of a well.
 - e. The Start Card must include the appropriate pre-sold tag I.D. Number.

Note: Pre-sold domestic well tags will be sold only to an Idaho Licensed Well Driller. Drilling Permits and Well Tags **are not** transferable from one driller or owner to another. The Department will not issue refunds or extend credit for submitted Start Cards or pre-purchased Well Tags.

2. Start Card Drilling Permits must **NOT** be used for construction or modification of wells:
- a. With a bottom hole temperature of 85 degrees Fahrenheit or greater or for wells that may encounter low temperature geothermal resources.
 - b. In designated [Critical Groundwater Areas](#) (CGWA).
 - c. In designated [Groundwater Management Areas](#) (GWMA).
 - d. In designated [Areas of Drilling Concern](#) (ADC).
 - e. In Areas of Contamination (AOC).
 - f. Areas that may be otherwise designated by the Department limiting or precluding the use of Start Cards. Check with the regional office in the area you will be drilling for any other restricted areas.

Note: See Appendices A-D for locations of CGWAs, GWMAAs, ADCs & AOCs. **These locations or designations are subject to change and drillers are responsible for remaining aware of these areas.** Please refer to the Department’s [website](#) or call the [regional](#) office in your area for specific locations.

RESOURCES

Well Driller’s Locator Tool	https://maps.idwr.idaho.gov/map/locator
Well Driller’s Locator Tool-“How To” Video	https://idwr.idaho.gov/files/help/well-driller-map.mp4
Well Construction Standards Rules	https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0309.pdf
Well Driller Licensing Rules	https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/37/0310.pdf
Department’s Well Construction & Drilling Web Page	https://idwr.idaho.gov/wells/
Forms	https://idwr.idaho.gov/wells/forms.html

**Statement of Understanding of
Conditions and Procedures for use of Start Card Drilling Permits
And Pre-Sold Well I.D. Tags**

I _____

(PRINCIPAL DRILLER NAME – PLEASE PRINT)

of _____

(Company Name)

(Lic. No.)

certify that I have read and understand the Conditions And Procedures For Use Of Start Card Drilling Permits And Pre-Sold Well I.D. Tags.

1. As Principal Driller and Company Representative, I am responsible for explaining these procedures to all employees of this company.

2. I understand that Start Cards must identify the current property owner and be signed by the property owner and/or Licensed Principal Driller to be valid.

3. I have read and understand all conditions of approval listed on the Start Card. Additionally I understand that regardless of who signs the Start Card, both the current property owner and Licensed Driller and/or Operator are responsible for complying with all associated conditions of approval.

4. I will ensure that the stainless steel well I.D. tag will be attached permanently to all wells constructed by my company as required by Administrative Rules.

I acknowledge that if my company, or its drillers, or operators fail to comply with these procedures, the company's privileges to use Start Cards for constructing wells may be suspended or revoked.

Signature

Date

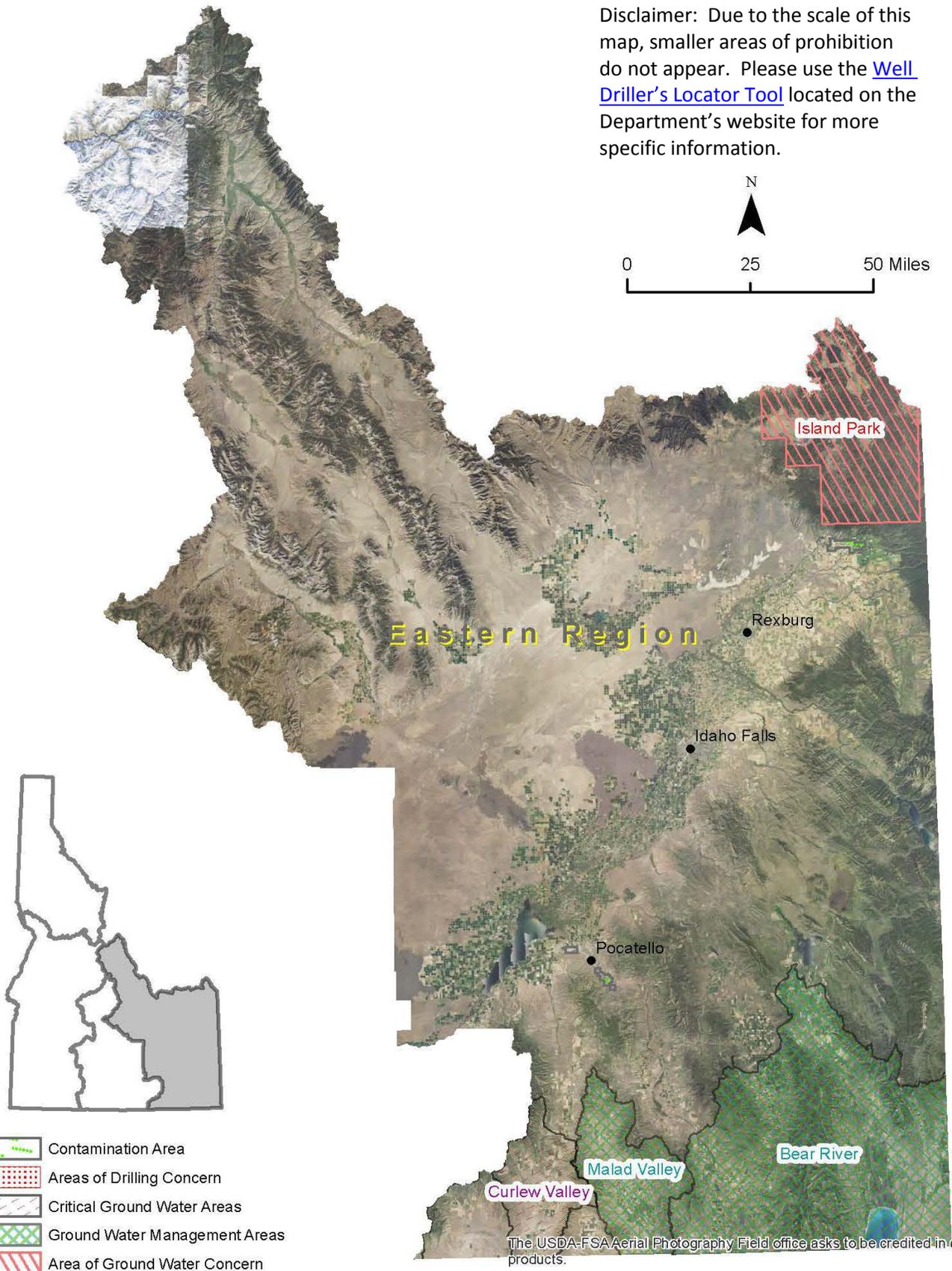
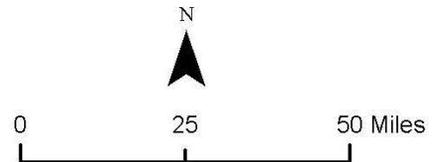
RETURN FORM TO:

Driller Licensing
Idaho Department of Water Resources
P. O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

Appendix A: Eastern Idaho Region

General Locations where Start Cards are Prohibited

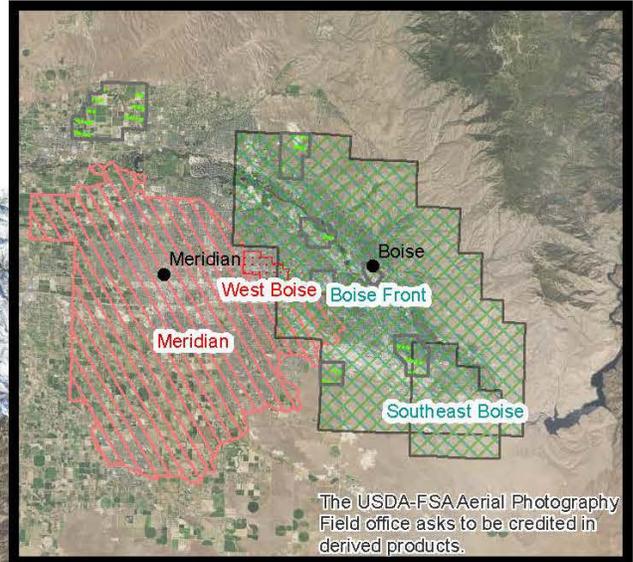
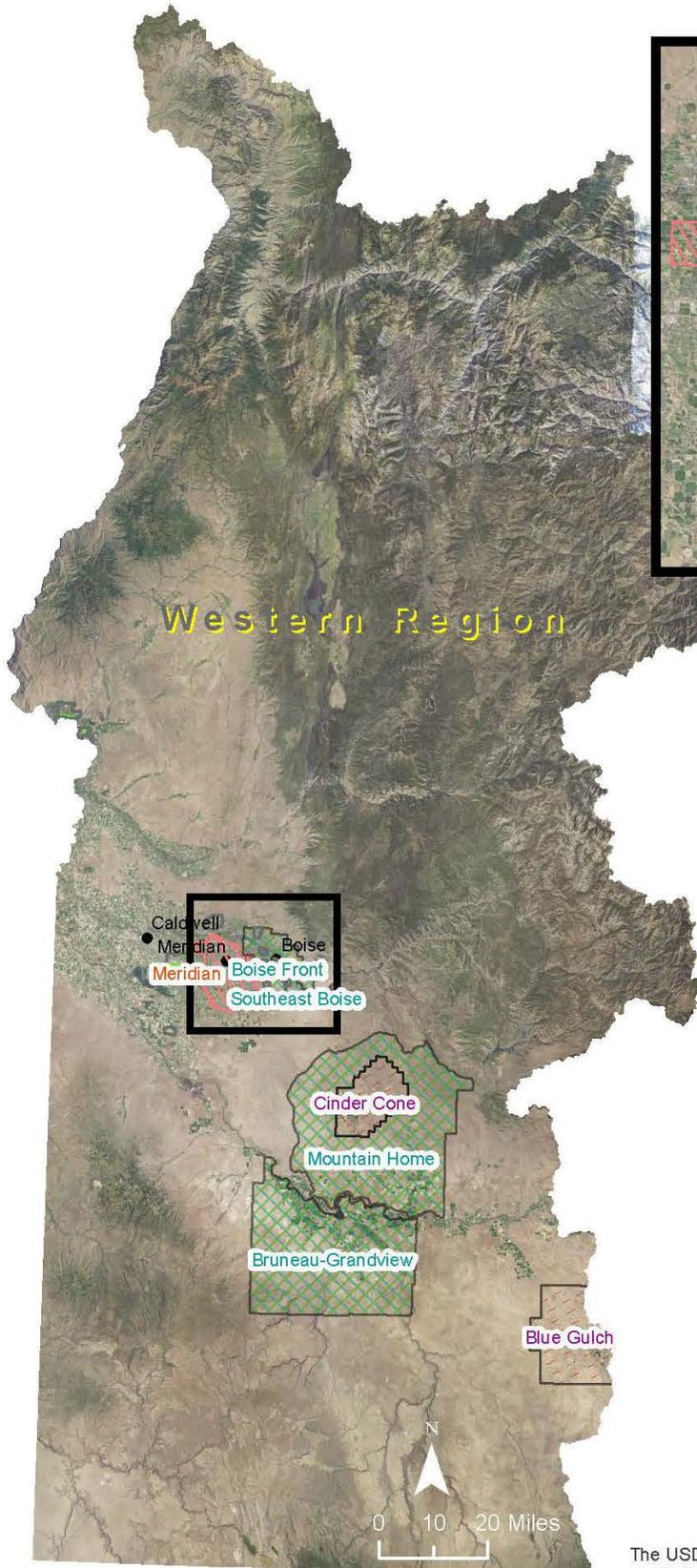
Disclaimer: Due to the scale of this map, smaller areas of prohibition do not appear. Please use the [Well Driller's Locator Tool](#) located on the Department's website for more specific information.



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Appendix B: Western Idaho Region

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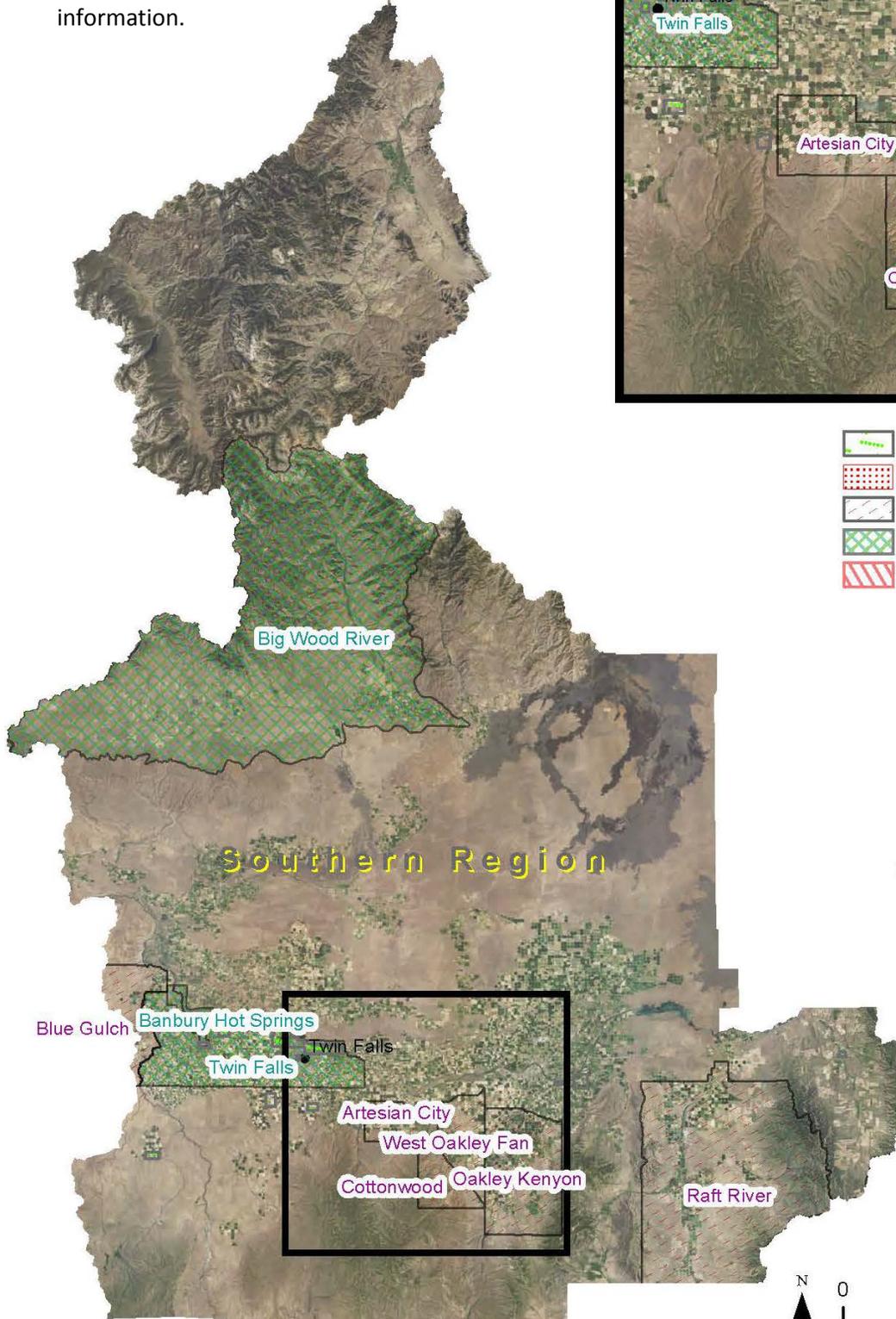
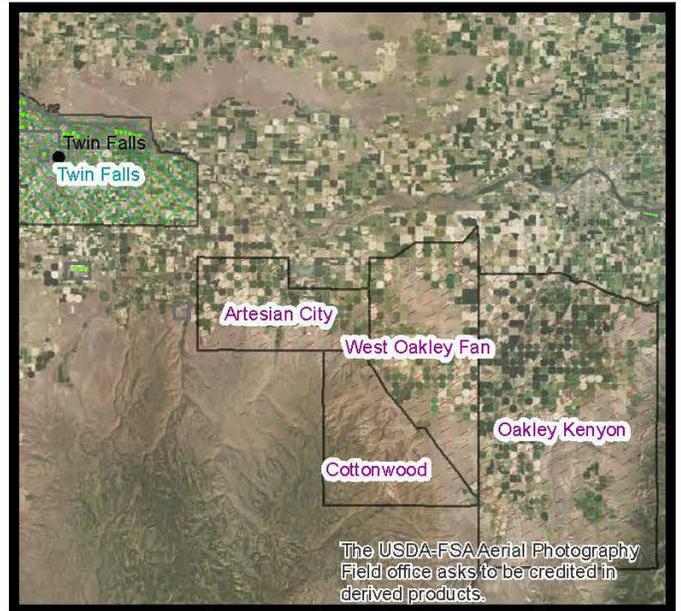
-  Contamination Area
-  Areas of Drilling Concern
-  Critical Ground Water Areas
-  Ground Water Management Areas
-  Area of Ground Water Concern

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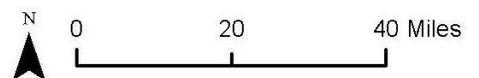
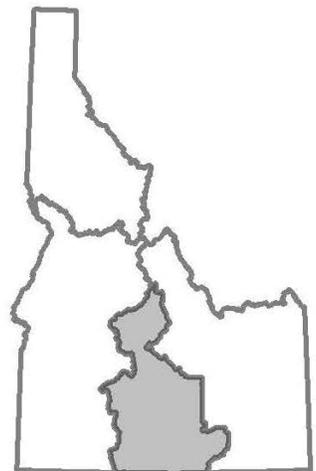
Appendix C: Southern Idaho Region

General Locations where Start Cards are Prohibited

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- Contamination Area
- Areas of Drilling Concern
- Critical Ground Water Areas
- Ground Water Management Areas
- Area of Ground Water Concern



Appendix D: Northern Idaho Region

General Locations where Start Cards are Prohibited

