

## GALENA LODGE

## & the BCRD RECREATION LEVY

In 1994, community members raised \$500,000 to purchase Galena Lodge and donate it to the Blaine County Recreation District.



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### A Community Treasure

Nestled at 7,200 ft of elevation, Galena Lodge is a beloved gathering place and a gateway to year-round recreation. Each year, nearly 110,000 trail uses begin at Galena, connecting visitors to more than 50 kilometers of world-class Nordic ski trails in the winter and to over 50 miles of hiking and biking trails in the summer. The community-owned and community-saved recreation hub is managed and maintained by BCRD. Galena Lodge draws national attention while remaining an accessible and affordable destination.

The historic character that makes Galena special also requires careful, ongoing stewardship, and frequent use comes at a cost. Preserving the lodge's charm while ensuring safe, reliable utilities and on-site operations takes significant resources. The proposed Recreation Levy, on the ballot in November 2025, includes funding to address these needs.

#### If approved, Recreation Levy funds would be used to:

- Upgrade and preserve the historic lodge and supporting infrastructure
- Enhance fire protection and water systems
- Improve site amenities for year-round use



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For nearly 50 years, Blaine County Recreation District (BCRD) has provided recreation opportunities supporting the health and well-being of Blaine County residents.

**Nearly 800 kids learn about responsible recreation at Galena Lodge each year.**

## Maintaining Our Investment

BCRD plans for the full life cycle of our resources. The levy is structured so that, when improvements are made, funding for ongoing maintenance, equipment, and staffing can support accessible and affordable operations over time.

## Listening to the Community

Our goal is to design and prioritize recreation spaces that reflect what our community members truly need and want. If the levy passes, BCRD will work with users to help shape future enhancements and amenities. Engagement opportunities may include citizen steering committees and other avenues for broad public input.

## Recreation Levy Disclosure

The District currently levies a tax of \$7.81 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value annually. If approved, the Permanent Levy Override is expected to increase the annual tax levy by \$13.34 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value per year, resulting in a total expected annual tax levy of \$21.15 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value. The proposed levy increase will be permanent and become part of the District's new annually established base budget developed pursuant to Idaho Code § 63-802(1)(a)(i).

## Have Questions?

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