

ANNEXATION PLAN SUMMARY

Purposes

1. When the interrelationship between the city and the fringe area is close, there is need for unified planning and zoning. Through annexation, Boise's zoning ordinances can be extended to the Northwest area, thus helping to assure orderly growth.
2. Annexation leads to a unified community and can prevent duplication of services, inadequate service levels, lack of effective area-wide planning and programming, financial inequities and other problems.
3. Political boundaries will, after annexation, more nearly reflect the true and existing sociological, economic, cultural, and physical boundaries of the city.
4. If Boise City is to continue to effectively provide urban services, it must be allowed to follow natural growth patterns into those fringe areas where there is urban development.

Fire. Service will continue to be provided to the annexed area as is currently being done via contract with the North Ada County Fire and Rescue District and the Eagle Fire District (west of Abe Ave).

Sewer. The City currently serves customers both inside and outside of the city limits under the same set of rules and fees. Requests for connection in the area will be handled under these rules. Annexation should result in less administrative burdens with the City undertaking all of the new development permitting obligations.

Police. The Boise Police Department assigns its staff and resources according to a system of geographic areas. In addition to responding to calls for police service through the E911 system, Boise Police officers, staff, and programs are available through a Neighborhood Service Team (NST) which will be assigned to this area. Boise PD would take over patrol responsibilities upon annexation.

Library. Residents in this area are currently served by the Eagle Public Library, Garden City Library, and the Boise Public Library Collister branch through the LYNX Consortium Open Access agreement. The service will not be impacted by the annexation and residents will be able to continue using any of these library facilities. A branch library at Collister and State will be convenient to the area.

Parks and Recreation. One new neighborhood park, Magnolia, is planned for the area. Park improvements should begin in 2015 or 16. The 51 acre Optimist Youth Sports Complex is also in the area. Cost of participation in recreation and sports programs is less for residents.

Property Taxes. Properties in Ada County within Boise City's area of impact but outside Boise City limits are assessed property taxes by some or all of the following: the School District, Ada County, the Ada County Highway District, the Emergency Medical System, Ada Community Library, Whitney Fire Protection District, North Ada County Fire and Rescue, Pest Extermination, and some other special districts. Upon annexation into the City the fire district, the library district, and the pest extermination district taxes are eliminated from tax bills and Boise City's taxes are added. Property taxes are expected to increase about 35% after annexation.

Zoning. In most cases, the zoning designation will match as closely as possible the current zoning in Ada County. In some cases, a zoning designation more compatible with surrounding zoning and more in compliance with Blueprint Boise may be applied. For example:

<u>Ada County Zone</u>	<u>Boise City Zone</u>
RP	A-1 or A-2 (open land)
RUT, R1	R-1A (large lot, semi-rural)
R4, R6, R8, R8M	R-1C (single family urban densities)
R12	R-2D (higher density residential)
C1	C-1D (neighborhood commercial)
C2	C-2D (general commercial)