



Idahoans for Openness in Government

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**OPEN GOVERNMENT SEMINARS SET
NEXT WEEK IN LEWISTON, MOSCOW, CdA, SANDPOINT**

The public is invited to attend any of four upcoming free seminars on Idaho's key open government laws - the Idaho Open Meeting Law and the Idaho Public Records Law – Dec. 8-11 in the North Idaho, led by Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden.

It's a chance to learn what is covered by these important laws and how to comply, in a fun and accessible format. Presenters in addition to Wasden will include Deputy Attorney General Brian Kane and IDOG President Betsy Russell. Government agency employees, public officials, reporters, editors and photographers from all media, and interested citizens all are invited.

These sessions are recommended by the Office of the Attorney General, the Association of Idaho Cities, the Idaho Association of Counties and the Idaho Press Club. They are free and include refreshments; because space is limited, attendees are asked to RSVP:

► **MON. Dec. 8, LEWISTON** – Co-sponsored by the Lewiston Tribune. Lewis-Clark State College, Room SAC 112, **6-9:30 p.m.** RSVP to Butch Alford, alajr@lmtribune.com, (208) 848-2250

► **TUES. Dec. 9 – MOSCOW** – Co-sponsored by the Moscow-Pullman Daily News. Moscow City Hall, Council Chambers, **6-9:30 p.m.** RSVP to Lee Rozen, lrozen@dnews.com or (208) 882-5561, ext. 4638

► **WED. Dec. 10 – COEUR D'ALENE** - Co-sponsored by the Coeur d'Alene Press and The Spokesman-Review. Coeur d'Alene Inn, 506 W. Appleway Ave., **6-9:30 p.m.** RSVP to Camie Wereley, (208) 664-8176, ext. 2016 or cwereley@cdapress.com

► **THURS. Dec. 11 – SANDPOINT** - Co-sponsored by the Bonner County Daily Bee. Sandpoint Library, Community Room, 1407 Cedar St., **3-6:30 p.m.** RSVP to Caroline Lobsinger, (208) 263-9534 ext. 259, or clobsinger@bonnercountydailybee.com

IDOG and Wasden have been holding these sessions around the state since 2004. They are funded in part by a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation through the National Freedom of Information Coalition.

IDOG is a non-profit coalition for open government whose mission is to promote open government and freedom of information. There's more information, plus an online "User's Guide" to Idaho's open government laws, available at IDOG's website, www.openidaho.org.

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