

# factsheet

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## Acquisition to protect wildlife habitat in Idaho's Bonner County

The Bonneville Power Administration is proposing to fund the acquisition of 27 acres of land in two parcels in northern Idaho. The land is located about a half mile west of the Albeni Falls Dam and one mile east of Oldtown, Idaho (see map).

These parcels are adjacent to a larger property already purchased under the Albeni Falls Wildlife Mitigation Program. Located in Bonner County, the proposed acquisition is composed primarily of wetland and upland forested habitat. Several small springs originate on the land. Large cedar and cottonwood trees provide protection and screening to an active bald eagle nesting site on the adjacent Albeni Cove habitat (see land management section below). Songbirds, black bear, white-tailed deer, moose and elk all use habitats on the property.

Acquiring these two parcels would provide BPA with credits for partial mitigation of wildlife habitat losses due to construction and operation of the federal Albeni Falls Dam on the Pend Oreille River.

The property would be owned and managed by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. As owner of the property, Idaho Fish and Game would pay a fee in lieu of taxes to Bonner County.

### Land to get management plan

If this proposed property is acquired, which is expected in August 2008, Idaho Fish and Game would incorporate it into the Pend Oreille Wildlife Management Area. The Albeni Cove habitat segment of the management plan

will be amended and the public given the opportunity to provide comments on the management plan.

Pending BPA approval of the management plan, no forest management, grazing or other land management activities would occur on the property except maintenance and protection.

### For more information

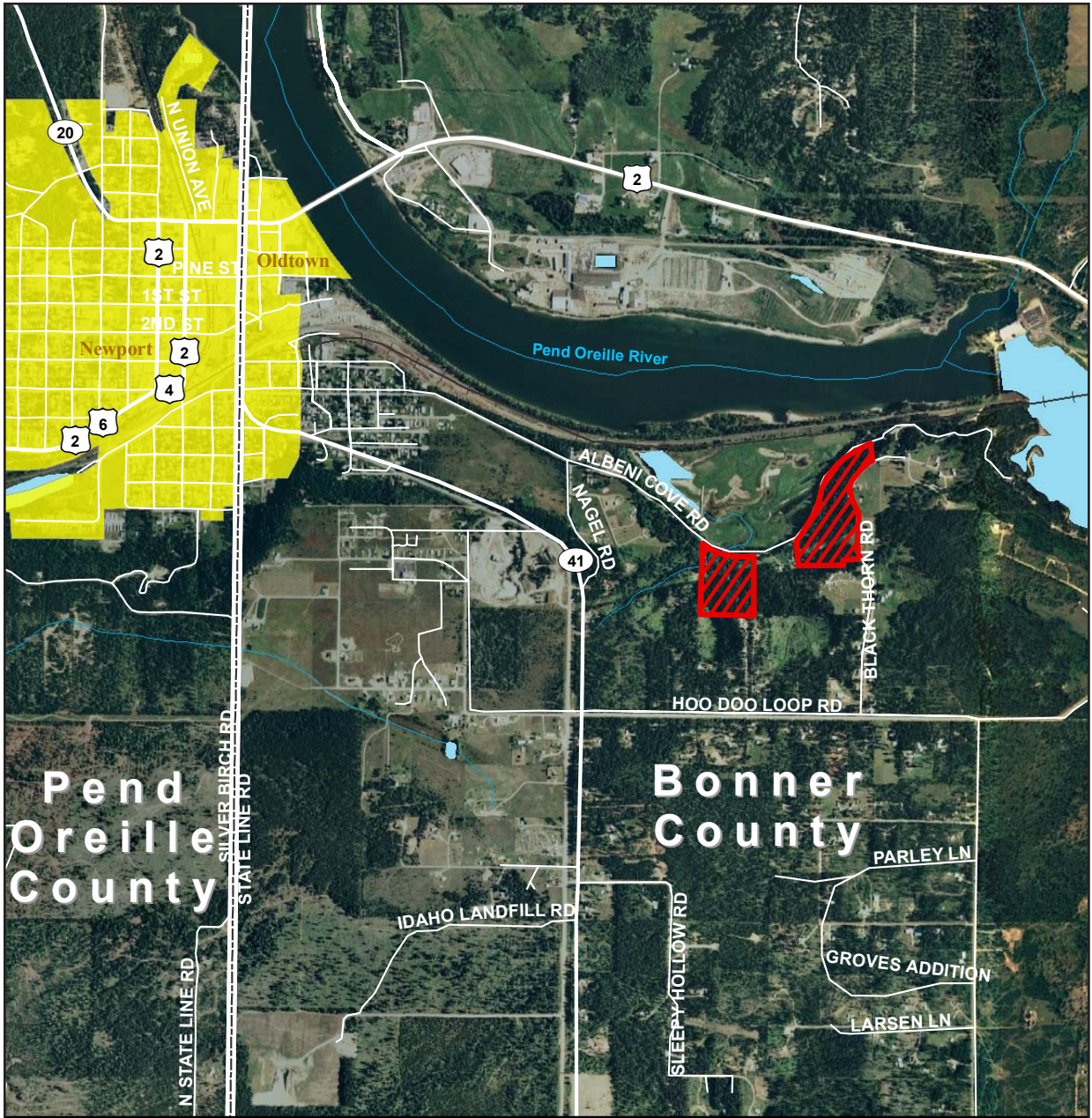
If you have any questions regarding this proposal or would like additional information, please contact Rachel Rounds with the Bonneville Power Administration at (503) 230-3967 or toll free at (800) 282-3713 or e-mail [rarounds@bpa.gov](mailto:rarounds@bpa.gov).

For information on the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's mitigation acquisition program or wildlife management program, contact Kathy Cousins with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game at (208) 769-1414 or e-mail [kcousins@idfg.idaho.gov](mailto:kcousins@idfg.idaho.gov).







# Albeni Cove Aquisition

Bonner County, Idaho



## Albeni Cove Acquisition Newport Quadrangle

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