

### **Stacey Dauwalter, ID**



I grew up as a military brat spending most of my childhood in North Carolina. I have moved farther west as I attended school for a Master of Science in Zoology and for work in wildlife management agencies in Wyoming and Idaho, with dogs, horse, and spouse in tow. I have worked in the wildlife health field for the past 15 years where I handle samples for both sick and healthy animals. I occasionally get to work in the genetic and forensic lab when I have the time. I have been lucky enough to participate in capture efforts for bighorn sheep, moose, elk, mule deer and white-tailed deer via helicopter netting and darting across the state of Idaho. While I have handled many live animals for research and conservation efforts, this year is the first I have harvested an animal. I am proud that I finally dedicated time to learn to hunt and further participate in North American wildlife conservation model.