

**WAPA and WAS
ANNUAL SPRING MEETING
APRIL 29 - MAY 1, 1994**

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Cody, Wyoming**

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 1994:

HOLIDAY INN

- + 1:00 p.m. WAPA Business Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1994:

BUFFALO BILL HISTORICAL CENTER

- + 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. WYCRO User's Conference
- + WAS Business Meeting
- + WAS Foundation Meeting
- + WAS Scholarship Committee Meeting
- + Contributed Papers- Call Mark Miller, 307-766-5301, if you are interested in presenting a paper.
- + Book Fair - open all day
- + Lunch on your own.

Holiday Inn

- + Banquet Dinner with featured speaker, Dr. Roger Powers, Professor of Anthropology, University of Alaska.

Dr. Powers will make presentations on sites in Siberia and the Bering Straight.

Sunday, May 1, 1994:

- + Field trip to Medicine Lodge Creek Archaeological Site near Hyattville, WY. Dr. George Frison will provide background information on the site.

BANQUET FEE: \$13.50 The banquet will be buffet style to include: baked ham, BBQ beef back ribs, roast turkey; potatoes: striped baby reds, scalloped, mashed; baked corn, cauliflower with cheese sauce; dinner rolls and spice cake. Price includes tax and tip.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$15.00 It is the explicit desire of the Absaroka Chapter of WAS to provide a symposium with no registration fee. They have applied for a Humanities Grant to cover the cost of hosting this event. However, they will not know if they have been awarded the grant until March 31, 1994. In which case, they will refund in full any registration fees sent. Of course, if they are not awarded the grant, the registration fee will stand.

HOTELS / MOTELS

CODY

NAME/PHONE	ADDRESS	TOTAL UNITS	W/CHIMNETTES	SUITE	DWING ROOM	POOL-INDOOR	POOL OUTDOOR	LAUNDRY FACILITIES	SAUNA JACUZZI	HANDICAP FACILITIES	TV	PETS	PHONE	TRANSPORT	SEASON	1 BED/ 2 PEOPLE	GROUPS/ CONVENTIONS
4 BAR MOTEL (307) 587-2084	1213 17th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	22	*	*						*	*	*			Year-round	\$20-\$60	Yes
7 KS MOTEL (307) 587-5890 or 1-800-223-9204	232 W. Yellowstone Cody, Wyoming 82414	16	*	*	N		*	*		*	*	*	N		May/Sept.	\$30-\$50	Yes-COG
BEST BET MOTOR INN (307) 587-9009	1701 17th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	10			N						*				June/Sept.	\$25-\$40	Yes
BEST WESTERN SUNRISE (307) 587-5566	1407 8th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	39		*	N		*	*			*	*	*		May/Sept.	\$30-\$72	Yes
BEST WESTERN SUNSET (307) 587-4255	1601 8th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	100	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		Year-round	\$34-\$85	Yes
BIG BEAR MOTEL (307) 587-3117 AAA	139 W. Yellowstone Cody, Wyoming 82414	42			N		*				*	*			Year-round	\$24-\$48	Yes
BUFFALO BILL'S CODY HOUSE (307) 587-2528	101 Roberson Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	25		*	*									*	Year-round	\$65-\$85	Yes
BUFFALO BILL VILLAGE (307) 587-5544 OR 1-800-527-5544	1701 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	83		*	*		*			*	*		*	*	May/Oct.	\$60-\$83	Yes
CAROLINE LOCKHART'S B & B (307) 587-6074 1-800-377-7255	109 W. Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	7		*	*	N	N	N			*		*	*	Year-round	\$55-\$78	Yes
CARRIAGE HOUSE (307) 587-2572 OR 1-800-531-2572	1816 8th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	20		*	N					*	*			*	April/Oct.	\$24.50-\$52.50	Yes
CARTER MOUNTAIN MOTEL (307) 587-4795	1701 Central Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	25	*	*	N						*	*	*		Year-round	\$30-\$65	Yes
CEDAR MOUNTAIN LODGE (307) 587-2248	1192 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	40			N						*	*			May/Sept.	\$25-\$47	Yes
CODY MOTOR LODGE (307) 527-6281	1465 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	30		*			*			*	*		*	*	Year-round	\$28-\$78	Yes
CODY'S WIGWAM MOTEL (307) 587-3861	1701 Alger Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	14	*		N						*		*		Year-round	\$30-\$55	Off-season rates
CODY'S VICTORIAN GUEST HOUSE & WESTERN COTTAGES 587-6460/587-6000	1519 Beck Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	3	*	*	*			*	*		*		*	*	Year-round	\$75-\$260	Yes
COMFORT INN (307) 587-3556 AAA	1601 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	75		*	*		*			*	*		*	*	Year-round	\$50-\$115	Yes
DAYS INN (307) 527-6604	524 Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	52		*		*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	Year-round	\$30-\$90	Yes
FRONTIER MOTEL (307) 527-7119	Hwy. 14-16-20 Cody, Wyoming 82414	28	*					*			*		*	*	Year-round	\$28-\$62	Yes
GATEWAY MOTEL (307) 587-2861	203 Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	10	*		N			*			*	N	N		April/Oct.	\$25-\$50	No
HIGH COUNTRY MOTOR INN (307) 587-5480	405 Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	24		*	N		*	N			*			*	May/Oct.	\$72-\$58	Yes
HOLIDAY INN AAA (307) 587-5563	1701 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	180		*	*		*			*	*		*	*	Year-round	\$50-\$175	Yes
HOLIDAY MOTEL AAA IMA (307) 587-4258 OR 1-800-341-8000	1607 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	20			N			*			*	N	*	*	Year-round	\$38-\$48	Yes
IRMA HOTEL (307) 587-4221	1192 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	40		*	*			N		*	*		*	*	Year-round	\$33-\$88	Yes
KELLY INN (307) 527-5505 OR 1-800-835-3559	US Hwy. 16 & 26th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	50		*				*	*		*	*	*		Year-round	\$45-\$74	Yes
LOCKHART MOTEL (307) 587-6074 OR 1-800-377-7255	109 W. Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	7	*		N	N	N	N			*		*	*	Year-round	\$35-\$65	Yes
MOUNTAIN MAN MOTOR LODGE (307) 587-5960	244 W. Yellowstone Ave. Cody, Wyoming 82414	18		*			N	N			*			*	May/Oct.	\$22-\$52	Yes
MOUNTAINEER COURT (307) 587-2221	1015 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	34		*	N	N	*	N			*		*	*	April/Nov.	\$24-\$64	Yes
PARKWAY INN Great Club (307) 587-4208	720 Yellowstone Cody, Wyoming 82414	39		*	N		*	N			*	*	*		Year-round	\$25-\$65	Yes
PARSON'S PILLOW BED & BREAKFAST (307) 587-2382 or 1-800-377-2348	1202 14th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	4		*	*			*			*		*	*	Year-round	\$65-\$75	Off-season rates
PAWNEE HOTEL (307) 587-2239	1032 12th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	18		*	N			N			*		*		Year-round	\$22-\$38	Yes
RAINBOW PARK MOTEL AAA IMA (307) 587-6261 OR 1-800-341-8000	1136 17th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	39	*	*	N			*			*	N	*	*	Year-round	\$39-\$52	Yes
SKYLINE MOTOR INN AAA (307) 587-4201 OR 1-800-843-8809	1819 17th Street Cody, Wyoming 82414	46		*	*		*	N		*	*	*	*	*	Year-round	\$26-\$60	Yes
STAGE STOP 1-800-231-6486	502 Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	7			N			N			*	*	N		May/Sept.	\$28-\$60	No
SUMMIT INN (307) 587-4040	1714 Stampede, PO Box 70 Cody, Wyoming 82414	18						N			*	*	*	*	May/Oct.	\$45-\$84	Yes
SUPER 8 (307) 527-6214	730 Yellowstone Cody, Wyoming 82414	84		*	N			N			*	*	*		Year-round	\$30-\$57	Yes
TROUT CREEK INN AAA (307) 587-6288	Yellowstone Hwy. 14-16-20 Cody, Wyoming 82414	21	*	*	N		*	*		*	*	*	*	*	Year-round	\$28-\$83	Yes
UPTOWN MOTEL (307) 587-4345	1562 Sheridan Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	10	*		N			N		*	*		N		Year-round	\$30-\$60	Yes
WESTERN GUN MOTEL 1-800-231-8488	423 Yellowstone Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	40	*	*	N			N		*	*	*			May/Dec.	\$35-\$85	Yes
WIND CHIMES COTTAGE (307) 527-5310	1501 Beck Avenue Cody, Wyoming 82414	4		*	*			*					N	*	Year-round	\$65-\$70	No
WISE CHOICE INN AAA (307) 587-5004	2908 Yellowstone Hwy Cody, Wyoming 82454	17			*				*	*	*	*	*	*	Year-round	\$28-\$50	Yes
YELLOWSTONE VALLEY INN (307) 587-3861 AAA	3324 Yellowstone Hwy. Cody, Wyoming 82414	36	*	*	*		*	*		*	*	*	N	*	May/Sept.	\$40-\$75	Yes

Prices listed are an average of high/low from off-season to peak season, 1 bed, 2 people, and are subject to change without notice.

* = Yes N = Nearby

WAPA NEWSLETTER, SPRING, 1994

From the Desk of the President - Chris Arthur

The Wyoming State Legislature has completed its biannual budget session, wreaking carnage on some programs and blessing others. The State Tourism Board garnered a cool half-million, and the Office of the State Archaeologist was actually reinstated with its trim \$42,000 request. Last summer the State Lands Task Force came up with some extensive suggestions to revamp the management of State Trust Lands. One recommendation was to remove the scanty protection cultural resources presently have by changing some subtle wording in the statute. In effect, the revised statute could easily open the door to wholesale (or retail) exploitation of cultural and paleontological materials merely by requiring a state-issued permit for their removal. WAPA members, members of the Wyoming Geological Society, museum people from the Tate Mineralogical Museum at Casper College, the State Geologists, and numerous others attended a meeting with State Land Board Chairman Howard Shriner to express our dismay. His main concern was to maximize the monetary return from State Trust lands to benefit Wyoming schools. This is absolutely appropriate. However, Howard failed to realize that there are numerous other values on state lands which cannot be assigned a monetary value. We failed to convince him of our side. As luck would have it, the issue failed to make it to the floor because the bill never made it out of conference committee. This will come up in the future, so we need to be vigilant and activist. WAPA sent letters to every state senator and representative to voice our concern. A number of responses were received which suggested that some of our legislators are concerned as well.

A new topic which you all are probably aware of by now is the on-going effort to redesign the Cultural Records Office file system. The present concept entails a centralized computer file which we may all be able to access at will (no more requests for faxed file searches or waiting for the postman!), an additional wide variety of information available for file searches, possible individually customized file search requests, easy access to research question-oriented file data recovery. This is not pie in the sky. This is a real effort, largely put forth by Mary Hopkins and the Wyoming State Office of the BLM. The Forest Service is a significant player. Fortuitously, Ebert and Associates, a consulting firm from Albuquerque that deals extensively in geographic information systems, photointerpretation and computer data systems as they relate to cultural resource matters has won a grant from a branch of the National Science Foundation to study the feasibility of developing systems to automate state cultural data files. As Mary has been visiting with this firm all along, they chose Wyoming as a major test case. Looking at the long haul, this developing system may be the first real advance toward an information system which will certainly expedite day to day contract and compliance work, but which will open the door to 21st Century archaeological science in Wyoming.

The spring WAPA meeting in Cody will feature a day-long session treating this developing activity. Mary has a schedule of speakers and presentations, ample time for discussion, and some show-and-tell displays of comparable systems from our neighboring states. It is essential that all of us who can attend do so. This will be your data system, and your input as users is not only solicited, but required.

DELINQUENT DUES

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OWE 1993 DUES (\$20) PAYABLE AT THE SPRING MEETING IN ORDER TO REMAIN IN GOOD STANDING!!!!!!

Del Bene, T.	Batterman, B.	Berrigan, D.	Bies, M.	Bonham, L.
Burney, M.	Carender, P.	Carino, J.	Crockett, S.	DeMarcey, G.
Earle, B.J.	Enders, D.	Gilmore, K.	Harrison, C.	Hickman, B.
Hoefler, T.	Hoffman, A.	Hubbard, R.	Husted, W.	Jess, E.
Kantner, J.	Kyte, M.	Langley, L.	Laurent, R.	Metcalf, M.
Miller, M.	Mitchem, J.	Obrien, P.	Pastor, J.	Prentiss, B.
Rom, L.	Rood, R.	Shelley, B.	Shelley, S.	Smith, C.
Tratebas, A.	Wahlquist, D.	Welch, J.	Whitehurst, J.	Zyniecki, M.

The following have not paid either 1992 or 1993 dues. It has been recommended they be taken off the membership list, except for Schoen and a few others from whom we can extort money!!!!!!

Andrews, M.	Capron, R.	Heid, J.	Larson, T.	Reher, C.	
Romanski, G.	Sasonkin, C.	Schoen, J.	Slay, J.	Wardlow, R.	Zettel, D.

Please send your dues to: Julie Francis, WAPA Treasurer, OWSA, Box 3431, University Station, Laramie, WY 82071

MINUTES FROM THE FALL 1993 WAPA MEETING, JACKSON, WY, Thursday, 9/30/93

The meeting was called to order by the president at approximately 1:30 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as printed in newsletter. The treasurer report was handed out. The balance, as of 9/30/93 totaled \$3971.54 with an additional \$116.88 in petty cash.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Membership Committee announced one new member application had been received from Steve Daron. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept this new member. The Legislative Committee has been dealing with information for possible state Historic Preservation legislation. The committee is still sorting data with nothing to report at this time.

Jerry Clark announced that the BLM/SHPO PA had been signed 9/29/93. There will be training sessions for all consultants and agency personnel in the Spring, hopefully March, so to have the PA in place by next field season. The SHPO will be working on cooperative needs for data sharing and creating historic contexts for better preservation planning. The BLM will also be looking into a new PA for geophysical projects, especially 3D seismic projects. Jerry briefly mentioned the future use of GIS and the importance of the data cooperative. Mary Hopkins will be working with the BLM on these issues.

OLD BUSINESS

John Albanese wrote a letter to Tim Nowak with comments from the Governmental Affairs Committee on the final Baroil report. We can finally put that subject to rest!

Lynn Harrell discussed a few items that needed clarification concerning Archaeological LANDSCAPES. The forms are still necessary. It is appropriate to indicate in the Results Section of a report that a portion of a non-eligible site will be impacted by a project when the project lies within a particular landscape. If there are any questions at all call the resource area archaeologists.

A break was taken to count election results. New officers are:

Dave Vlcek	VP	Beth Porter	Secretary
Julie Francis	Treasurer	Brad Humphrey	Member at Large

NEW BUSINESS

The financial status of WAPA was discussed. It was over whelmingly determined that the organization needs a sound fiscal policy to promote financial growth. A motion was made, seconded, and passed for Julie Francis to research various avenues and present the information at the Spring, 1994, meeting. We will need to discuss at that time how much risk WAPA is willing to take with their investments.

The position as chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee was discussed extensively. This is a vital position for WAPA, but is also very demanding timewise and financially for the chairperson. Terms for taking responsibility need to be established, such as rotation with assistance from the past chairperson. Financial compensation should be considered. It was suggested that a calling card might be established to help with phone costs. Setting up a budget for the committee was also considered. The need for postcards to inform agencies of no response at this time was also considered. A motion was made, seconded, and passed for the Executive Committee to structure and design a budget for the Governmental Affairs Committee to be presented at the Spring meeting. At this time the Governmental Affairs committee includes Dave Vlcek, John Albanese, and Swen Swenson. A motion was made, seconded, and passed for a written and public thank-you to John Albanese for all his work over the years on Baroil. **THANKS JOHN!!!**

A question was asked concerning the Intrigues of the Past classroom kit. Anyone interested in more information should contact Ranel Capron, BLM/WSO. She will also put interested individuals on their mailing list.

How best to deal with the Newsletter was also discussed. The Executive Committee will need to look into this issue. Splitting responsibility and setting a deadline for submissions were two very good suggestions. The position of Editor can also become very involved timewise and financially. It was determined last year that all Agency Updates should be in the newsletter to save time during the business meeting. This works well so long as items are submitted in a timely manner. No updates were presented in the Fall, 1993, newsletter. Consequently.....

AGENCY UPDATES

SHPO - not present

USFS - not present

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION - Dale Austin reported that a contract was issued for CRM work surrounding the dam tender's house at Pathfinder Dam. \$10,000 was given to the Wyoming State Parks system for rehabilitation work at Guernsey State park. There will be more next year. An EA is in preparation for dam safety and upgraded improvements on the dams along the Platte River from Seminoe to western Nebraska. An individual from Billings, MT, has been hired to prepare summaries for NAGPRA compliance. The burials at Seminoe will be included. The Rawlins High School also has some remains that will be turned over, as does the University of Wyoming. This will be available later this year.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT - Mike Bies noted that the Washakie County Museum will dedicate the Soapy Dale Lodge exhibit on October 24, 1993. The Express Pipeline, Altamont and AMOCO CO2, scoping statements are available. Chris Arthur reported that a mock excavation was conducted near Glendo for over 100 school children. WWC also conducted a Field Techniques class excavation in the Casper District. It contained three superimposed pit structures with one containing a post mold in the center.

The membership present felt that Dianne Berrigan should be publicly recognized for her unprecedented involvement as Chairperson for Governmental Affairs. ***OUR HATS ARE OFF TO YOU, DIANNE, FOR FAITHFULLY DOING WHAT CAN BECOME A VERY THANKLESS JOB!!!***

It was announced that Katherine Singley will be conducting a Collections Assessment at WWC on November 6 and 7, 1993. This is a grant funded program sponsored by the Institute of Museum Services to assist museums and repositories in assessing their individual needs to better preserve and manage their collections. She is hoping that arrangements will be made for her to meet with professionals in the area to talk about how the professional community can assist in managing archaeological collections. This is something that should be of great concern to all of us.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to hold the Spring, 1994, meeting in conjunction with the Wyoming Archaeological Society in April. Details at a later date! Julie will notify WAS. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, *Beth S. Porter*

AGENDA FOR SPRING, 1994, MEETING

Approval of Minutes from Fall meeting as printed in Newsletter, Treasurer's report.

Committee Reports: Governmental Affairs

Officer's Reports: Treasurer's report on investment possibilities

Old Business: PA, Jerry Clarke; Medicine Wheel; Curation facilities, funding, etc.

New Business: State Legislature, State Land Board and Archaeology;

SCS/USFS possible cooperative agreement to do archaeology- WAPA as possible outreach;

Irrigation ditches/canals - short discussion, SHPO guidelines needed for evaluation and effect;

Nature Conservancy Rock Art Project;

Data share - intro to Saturday session;

Newsletter; Announcements; Fall meeting location.

WYCRO USER'S CONFERENCE

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE - CULTURAL RECORDS

From Mary Hopkins: The WYCRO User's Conference will be held on Saturday, April 30, 1994, at the Cody Holiday Inn from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The morning will include presentations from experts on the subject of archaeological data management and GIS. Those who will be attending as of today include Dr. James Ebert and Eric Ingbar, Ebert and Assoc.; Tim Seaman, New Mexico SHPO; Meg Van Ess, Colorado SHPO; and a representative from the Arkansas Archaeological Survey. The afternoon will be demonstrations of systems in current use and GIS applications.

AGENCY UPDATES

OWSA, Mark Miller, to Members of WAPA:

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the WAPA membership that supported the State Archaeologist's office during the recent legislative session. As you know, we lost much of our operations funding two years ago, and had to go to the legislature with a request to restore support for several programs and services. Among these were publication costs for The Wyoming Archaeologists, travel to conduct research and perform public outreach programs, and facility maintenance at the repository.

The 1994 legislature restored our funding, thanks to all of the support that came in from across the state. Calls and letters from members of the Wyoming Association of Professional Archaeologists were instrumental in bringing the message to Cheyenne. We are extremely grateful for your efforts. As State Archaeologist, I hope to continue our role in researching, preserving and promoting Wyoming archaeology.

USFS - WYOMING FOREST SERVICE HERITAGE RESOURCE NEWS

Rocky Mountain Region CRM - Brad Humphrey

Wyoming Forest Service archaeologists met with John Keck and the SHPO staff in Casper on March 28-29, 1994. Topics discussed included partnerships and shared field opportunities, data base sharing, NAGPRA and treatment of collections, creative mitigation possibilities and streamlining the 106 process. Many important topics were covered in only a day and a half, but positive progress was made on many issues. A commitment was made to cooperate and improve the compliance and beyond compliance aspects of cultural resource management. Detailed notes were taken at the meeting; they will be typed up and made available to WAPA.

The Regional Office in Denver has hired private consultants to design a cultural resource data base system that will be integrated with GIS. It will be made available to all Rocky Mountain Region Forest Service offices via the new computer system 615 beginning this year through 1997. Your comments and concerns are needed. To be placed on the Plan mailing list, please contact Bridget Eisfeldt at 605-673-2251.

In 1994 the Forest is continuing, and greatly expanding, the Paleoenvironmental Research Program begun last year. Illinois State Museum will work at four sites under the auspices of the Passport in Time volunteer program. This includes continuing excavations at the Kenzy protohistoric bison site, beginning bog pollen sampling, excavation of faunal materials at Jug Cave, and archaeological excavations at Ice Cave. Illinois State Museum is sponsoring involvement of a Russian bison specialist at the Kenzy Site. Other parts of the

Paleoenvironmental Research Program include the U. of WI conducting packrat midden studies and North Dakota State U. undertaking paleo-beetle studies. Over \$100,000 worth of work will be accomplished in 1994 and the Forest is seeking other partners for future year research projects. Preliminary plans for 1995 include continuing the above studies and starting a rock shelter research project.

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Sicangy Treaty Commission is cooperating with the Forest to identify, record and research spiritual sites throughout the Black Hills. Oral histories, historic records, and on the ground inventories are being utilized to identify the sites. Management criteria for various types of spiritual sites will also be developed.

The Forest is also working with the South Dakota Assoc. of Professional Archaeologists in a cooperative inventory program. Information on any of the above projects can be obtained from Lance Rom or Carol Agard at 605-673-2251.

Bridger-Teton National Forest - Jamie Schoen

There are two things going on at the Bridger-Teton which are noteworthy. The first is that we are in the process of getting all of our site information onto GIS. We hope to have this system up and running by the start of the field season. Because our Forest already has a GIS system running, and I had some funding for seasonal help through the winter, I needed to get this done now. Hopefully, I can share the success and failures with the rest of the profession in the near future. The second thing happening is the BT is hosting an Ecosystem Management workshop in May. Although Ecosystem Management is the big buzz word in Federal lingo these days, there will likely be major implications for the Heritage/Cultural Management people. It is perhaps time to think more like an anthropologist instead of a Cultural Resource Manager.

Black Hills National Forest - Lance Rom

The Black Hills has completed the draft Forest Plan revision and draft EIS. The Plan calls for increased funding and accomplishments in all aspects of the cultural resource program. Projected budgets should increase substantially once the Plan is implemented, probably by 1996. Medicine Bow National Forest - Brad Humphrey

Representative from the Medicine Bow in SE Wyoming and the Routt National Forest in NE Colorado met in March and decided to combine the two Forests with the Supervisor's Office to be located in Laramie. The joining of forces will accomplish three primary goals: 1) to better serve the public by combining resources and reducing bureaucracy; 2) to work toward a more holistic ecosystem management policy; and 3) to downsize the organization by only having one Forest Supervisor and primary staff instead of two, and by reducing the number of Ranger Districts from nine to six. Jim Heid and Dave McKee recently completed a National Register Multiproperty nomination for Ranger Stations on the Medicine Bow that were built by the CCC in the 1930's. Four Forest Service buildings (La Prele, Centennial, Keystone, and Brush Creek Workcenters) should be listed on the National Register this summer.

The Douglas Ranger District is continuing and aggressive land exchange program. The primary goal of the exchange program is to consolidate the checkerboard ownership pattern of Thunder Basin National Grassland (TBNG) to improve land management and create better public access. Last year a total of 18,000 ac were surveyed on TBNG as part of the Dillt and Cannon Land Exchanges. Over 110 new cultural sites were recorded. Two more large land exchanges totalling over 16,000 ac will be surveyed in 1994.

The Medicine Bow will also be hosting its fourth volunteer excavation project in August 1994. Deana Wood is organizing the Passport in Time project that allows volunteers from across the United States to participate in the excavation of a large prehistoric site and the restoration of the historic Echo Lodge. Both sites are located along Douglas Creek in the Medicine Bow Mountains. The volunteers will be instructed and supervised by Medicine Bow Forest archaeologists. Contact Deana at 307-745-8971 for more information.

Bighorn Nation Forest - Steve Keller

Having completed a MOA for short term management of the Medicine wheel National Historic Landmark in 1993, the Bighorn National Forest is proceeding with development of a PA for long term management of the landmark. The seven consulting parties met in Billings, MT, January 1994, to work on developing the PA and solicit public comment on management of the landmark. This meeting resulted in the completion of a draft PA that is currently being reviewed and commented on by the consulting parties. In the meantime, the Forest and the consulting parties are working together on making preparations for this summer.

No report was submitted by the Shoshone National Forest.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Wyoming State Office - Ranel Capron

Ray Leicht has taken over the Wilderness Program in the State Office. Jerry Clark has assumed lead for the Cultural Heritage Program and Tim Nowak has moved into the State Office to fill behind Jerry for 106-related issues, including Collections Management and Native American issues. Ranel Capron is still doing permits (cultural and paleontology) and Heritage Education initiatives. Laurie Bryant, our paleontologist, has relocated to Casper. She can be reached at the District Office. And finally, since Washington Office decided to continue the Trails theme into 1994, Jude Carino is still doing his trails stuff out of the Casper District Office.

Rawlins District does not plan to fill behind Tim with a District Archaeologist, but will instead move the archaeology position to the Great Divide Resource Area. Gary DeMarcey will handle the district paperwork and will work with the new hire on the Resource Area fieldwork.

News from Worland is that the Express Pipeline right-of-way application processing has been suspended at the request of the applicant. We expect the applicant to make a decision by June regarding whether the project will continue or

not. The Grass Creek Resource Management Plan (RMP) is progressing on schedule and the Draft is expected later this year. And as many of you may already know, Julie Clarke got married to Rich Fike and her new name is Julie Coleman-Fike.

The workload in Green River, Kemmerer and Great Divide Resource Areas is very heavy and it does not look like they will be getting any summer temporary assistance (other than what has already been mentioned for Great Divide). Lynn, Russ and Gary are trying to keep their sense of humor, but WAPA members need to realize how difficult the workload situation is in these areas. One thing that will certainly help is for consultants to call for appointments with these Area Archaeologists. If you drop in unannounced, you may have wasted a trip. For the most part, they will simply not be available to you without an appointment. In fact, you should check with them to see if they have designated telephone hours: times when they will receive and return calls, etc. All other times, just expect a message to be taken. This will help them control their time in the office and take care of the heavy workload in report review, etc.

Wyoming State Office - Tim Nowak

As part of my new responsibilities for Native American coordination and NAGPRA coordination, I will be attending a Tribal NAGPRA workshop in Vermillion, SD. The workshop is for all tribal historic preservation coordinators in the BIA Aberdeen Area, which includes the Siouxan tribes. I have been invited in order to meet and coordinate with these tribal representatives and let them know what the BLM in Wyoming is doing to comply with NAGPRA. This is a good opportunity to make some contacts and build relationships.

Great Divide Resource Area - Gary DeMarcey

In Great Divide we are preparing for a busy Oil and Gas season, reviewing EISes for two gas fields, and another for some wind generators, with another proposed for a coal gasification project. As far as special projects I am preparing a scope of work to get some rock art near Powder Wash recorded and am seeking funding for Native American consultation on the same. Great Divide is planning to hire another permanent archaeologist (GS-5,7,9). We hope to have that person on board by June (but the way things are going we may be lucky to have someone here by August).

Rock Springs District - Terry Del Bene

This past year the Rock Springs District Office was heavily involved in the Oregon Trail Sesquicentennial. Highlights in Rock Springs included the installation and dedication ceremonies for two interpretive stops, publication of a brochure on Names Hill (authored by D. Vlcek), lecture programs for various communities (Green River, Kemmerer, Pinedale, and Rock Springs), tours, inventory, a living history event at South Pass, assistance with the six-state wagon train, and a variety of contacts with the media. It was another bumper year for

compliance. They tell us that Rock Springs now does roughly 1/2 of all the compliance actions for the Wyoming BLM.

Casper District - George Ruebelmann

In September, George Ruebelmann, Casper District BLM, and Jerry Clark, Wyoming State Office BLM, surveyed 320 acres near the big bend of the Belle Fourche River on the western margin of the Black Hills. We recorded ten sites, some of which had diagnostic attributes of McKean, P. Lake, Besant, and Late Prehistoric complexes. Some testing or minor excavation is planned at several of the sites this summer. Platte River Resource Area - Chris Arthur

Last summer the Platte River Resource Area provided two days of volunteer assistance (civilian, Wyoming Archaeological Society, and BLM people) to the Western Wyoming College Field School to help test 48NA19, a very extensive multicomponent site about 80 km west of Casper on Poison Spider Creek. The project was operating under a cooperative agreement between BLM and WWC, with BLM providing a portion of the funding. The locality was tested to determine the nature of a large feature found in 1989. It was determined that this dark oval stain consisted of three superimposed packed living surfaces, with portions of a fourth similar surface immediately adjacent. House floors? Maybe.

Later in the summer, Pronghorn Archaeological Services excavated some 80 squares to expose a series of deeply buried hearths, with radiocarbon dates ranging from roughly 3050 BP to 5200 BP -- all close together and all at the same stratigraphic level. John Albanese, working on the same site at the same time but for a different client, exposed what appears to be a house floor. Not completely explored as yet, excavations will continue as the weather improves.

Worland District - Mike Bies

The Grass Creek RMP is progressing on schedule. The Cody Resource Area CRMP has been completed. We anticipate working with volunteers on the Nature Conservancy project recording rock art at Meadowlark Lake the last two weeks of July. It would be great to have some WAPA volunteers come join us in the Bighorns camping, working, and fishing!

WYDOT... WHY NOT? - Julie Francis

After nearly 18 months of confusion as to whether I work for the Wyoming Transportation Department or the Wyoming Department of Transportation, Wyoming Statute 9-2-2004, passed this last legislative session, officially decrees that I am employed by the latter. The previously verboten acronym WYDOT is now the only official short reference to be used. So...now that I had finally trained myself into thinking that I worked for the Transportation Department and not the Highway Department, what has WYDOT been up to?

We have completed the first year of operation under the programmatic agreement between FHWA, WYDOT, BLM, SHPO, and the Advisory Council, which designates FHWA as the lead agency for purposes of consultation under

Section 106. In the course of implementing surveys, we discovered several bugs in the system. However, things have generally operated smoothly. At the recent annual review of the agreement, several procedural changes were suggested for distribution of scoping letters, reports, correspondence, etc. The specific changes will be forwarded to BLM Districts and Resource Areas through the WSO. All parties also expressed satisfaction with how 106 consultation for FHWA projects has proceeded under the PA.

FHWA and WYDOT have entered into consultation with SHPO and the Advisory Council to mitigate adverse effects to both prehistoric and historic sites on several projects. These include proposed construction from Hulett to Aladdin in Crook County, on the Cody-Yellowstone road in Park County, on the Seminole Dam road in Carbon County, and along U.S. Highway 14/16 in Sheridan County. We will be dealing with a diverse set of sites, ranging from Middle Archaic campsites to historic irrigation ditches.

And, perhaps the most earthshaking news of all, is that as of 1996, all WYDOT construction will be done in metric units. This has many of the engineers shaking their heads. Metric units are already being used for current designs, and soon there will be kilometer posts and speed limits posted as km per hour. In the unprecedented situation where us archaeologists are better equipped to deal with the future than the past, I have become one of the metric "experts" in WYDOT and have been drafted to help compile information to assist the public with the conversion.

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