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**To:** Field Managers, Assistant Field Managers, and Cultural Resource Staff  
**From:** Deputy State Director, Resources Policy and Management  
**Subject:** Training on Revised Wyoming Bureau of Land Management (BLM)/State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) Protocol

The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to notify Field Office personnel of upcoming training in the revised Wyoming BLM/SHPO Protocol for carrying out responsibilities under the National Historic Preservation Act.

On March 8, 2006, the Wyoming State Director and the Wyoming SHPO signed a revised Protocol for carrying out consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Some significant procedural changes will be implemented under the revised Protocol, which will go into effect following training for all BLM Field Offices and SHPO staff. The revised Protocol requires that Field Managers, Assistant Field Managers, cultural resource staff and their immediate supervisors be trained in the new procedures before implementing the revised Protocol.

Four 2-day training sessions have been scheduled. One of these sessions must be attended. While managers are encouraged to attend both days, only cultural resource staff and immediate supervisors are required to attend the second day of the training. The second day will cover the Visual Contrast Rating system and assessment of effects to significant historic settings (Appendix C of the Protocol). Consultants permitted by BLM will be attending the second day of training at each session because they will also be required to perform assessments using the Visual Contrast Rating system.

At each session, classes will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will run until 5 p.m. The first day will be classroom training. The second day will consist of classroom training in the morning and a field exercise in the afternoon.

Training sessions have been scheduled for the following dates and locations:

- May 11 - 12 – Casper, Casper College, Robert Commons Ballroom  
Casper, Newcastle, and Buffalo Field Offices
- May 16 - 17 – Laramie, University of Wyoming, Ballroom  
Rawlins Field Office and SHPO staff
- May 18 - 19 – Riverton, Central Wyoming College, Little Theater  
Worland, Cody, and Lander Field Offices

- May 25 - 26 – Rock Springs, Western Wyoming College, Room 1302  
Rock Springs, Kemmerer, and Pinedale Field Offices

Campus maps are available at:

- <http://nw4.caspercollege.edu/community/campus/maps/campusmap.html>
- <http://uwadmnweb.uwyo.edu/tour>
- [http://www.cwc.edu/about\\_cwc/campus\\_map.php](http://www.cwc.edu/about_cwc/campus_map.php)
- <http://www.wfcc.wy.edu/admissions/pdf/map22006.pdf>

We have recommended to consultants that they attend the session that includes the Field Office (s) with which they work most frequently. To facilitate integration of the new procedures, it is important for Field Office staff and management to attend the sessions planned for their Field Office.

We recognize that this may be a significant time commitment and appreciate your participation. If other commitments prevent attendance at the appropriate session, or you have questions regarding the training, please contact Judyth Reed by e-mail or at 307-775-6017.

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