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According to the State Protocol, signed in 2006, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Wyoming and the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) agreed to meet on an annual basis. Section II states that the meeting will be held “within the first quarter of the calendar year to discuss issues related to this Protocol.” It goes on to state that the meeting “will include BLM Field Office cultural resource staff and managers, and State Office personnel.”

This year, the annual protocol meeting will occur on Monday, April 11, 2011, and only requires attendance by the BLM archaeologists and the SHPO staff. Of course, management is welcome to attend; more information about management certification is found below.

Due to the travel ceiling issues this Fiscal Year, the meeting will occur by video-conference. The State Office has rented time and facilities from the State of Wyoming’s Wyoming Video Conference System (WVCS). Currently the Rawlins facility is under construction and may be unavailable at the time of our conference. It is expected that the Rawlins archaeologists will have to travel to Rock Springs or Cheyenne to attend the meeting.

WVCS facilities are found in the following locations. Some facilities are only open during regular business hours. Thus, the annual meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will end at 4:45 p.m. Please arrive prior to the start of the meeting.

Casper – Workforce Center, Werner Court, Suite 121, Casper

Newcastle – Workforce Center, 2013 West Main Street, Newcastle

Buffalo – Veterans Home, 700 Veterans Lane, Buffalo

Lander – State Training School, Rothwell Building (Atlantic Room), 100 Meadow View Drive, Lander

Worland – Ag Extension, 1200 Culbertson, Suite G, Worland

Cody – Workforce Center, 1026 Blackburn, Cody

Rock Springs – Workforce Center, 2441 Foothill Blvd, Rock Springs
Kemmerer – Burgoon Building, 136 Burgoon Drive (also known as 20 Adaville Dr.),
Diamondville
Pinedale – Public Health Nurse Office, 619 East Hennick Street, Pinedale

Agenda topics have been solicited from the BLM field archaeologists via e-mail. Topics for discussion are welcome from all levels of field management as well. The SHPO has suggested the following topics for discussion: National Register of Historic Places, landscape issues, AML issues, agreement documents, Programmatic Agreement for foreclosures, and a stand-alone State Programmatic Agreement.

Please send your topic ideas to Ranel Capron, Deputy Preservation Officer (DPO), by April 6, 2011. The DPO has a conference call scheduled with the SHPO on Thursday, April 7, 2011, and a final agenda will be forthcoming after that discussion.

For managers to meet the requirement of the protocol, they will need to attend the Expanded Wyoming Management Team meeting in May. Mary Hopkins, Wyoming SHPO, is on the agenda for Wednesday, May 11, 2011, and will speak to management at that time. This will constitute acceptable accommodation for the protocol requirement.

If you have any questions, please contact Ranel Stephenson Capron at 307-775-6108 or Ranel_Capron@blm.gov.

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