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From: Deputy State Director, Resources Policy and Management

Subject: Preserve Wyoming Conference 2012 and Landscape Training

The Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office will again be hosting the Preserve Wyoming Conference this May 17-19, 2012, in Pinedale, Wyoming. Attached is the flyer that provides details regarding the conference, "Preserving Our Landscapes."

On Thursday, May 17, beginning at 12:30 p.m., there will be a free Cultural Landscape Preservation Workshop at the Sublette County Library. Speakers include Mary Hopkins, Wyoming State Historic Preservation Officer; Barbara Wyatt, National Register of Historic Places; Conrad Fisher, Northern Cheyenne Tribal Historic Preservation Officer; Lesley Wischmann, Alliance for Historic Wyoming; and Nancy Brown, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. This workshop continues on Friday morning, from 8 to 10 a.m.

Registration for the conference begins on Friday morning and the cost is around \$80. It opens with a Certified Local Government meeting at 10 a.m., a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. and the Keynote Speaker, Mitchell Silver, from the American Planning Association from noon until 1 p.m. The conference is set up with two concurrent tracks of seminars/lectures. Of interest to BLM staff will be Track A concerning the rural landscape with a panel speaking on conservation easements as a landscape preservation tool. In the afternoon the track continues with landscape preservation case studies and will include a presentation by Dave Crowley of the Pinedale Field Office on BLM's involvement in the New Fork River Historical Park. The last session of the day is on advocating for the cultural landscapes and includes Lesley Wischmann and Hilery Lindmier from the Alliance for Historic Wyoming. They will discuss how the public can navigate through Environmental Impact Statements, Programmatic Agreements and Resource Management Plans.

The conference continues on Saturday with a single track including downtown redevelopment and zoning, downtown design guidelines, and ends with tours around the Pinedale area in the afternoon.

We recommend that BLM staff, such as managers, planners, archaeologists and visual resource management specialists, who often deal with landscapes and cultural resource issues, attend the free workshop prior to the conference. We also believe the conference will be a useful tool for personnel who deal with the historic preservation community in planning efforts, as well as in compliance and mitigation scenarios. The Wyoming State Office does not have any funds available to assist field personnel for travel or registration to participate in these activities, but you are encouraged to attend if possible.

Any questions may be directed to Ranel Stephenson Capron, Deputy Preservation Officer, 307-775-6108 or rcapron@blm.gov or Kathy Miller Boden, SHPO Liaison, 307-775-6017, klmiller@blm.gov.

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1 Attachment

1 - Preserve Wyoming 2012 workshop and conference flyer (13 pp)

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