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A HIGHER ADVENTURE

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Youth Incident Commander Report From the Bridger-Teton Project On-Site Visit



Excitement is growing for Arrowcorps5! The planning committee for the Bridger-Teton site recently held an on-site meeting where we checked out the facilities at Base Camp at Jackson Hole High School as well as at the Teton Pass and Goosewing project sites. About 45 of us were there meeting with each other and the local Forest Service representatives to work out a whole lot of the logistical technicalities and creating other great plans for this summer. I did some poking around at the Goosewing site and got to do a little bit of fence rolling, it's going to be such a good time. We couldn't make it into Dutch Joe because of the snow that is still up there, but not to worry, that project will be just as awesome as the other two! We've got plenty of trail for you guys to work on. Can you believe that we're less than 65 days from arrival in Wyoming? I hope you're all as excited as I am about the great service and bonding that we'll be doing this summer, we're really doing a great thing here. Thank you all for your commitment to service in the Order and especially in the Bridger-Teton site for Arrowcorps5!



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Dear Arrowman,

On behalf of the Shunkah Mahneetu Lodge and the Grand Teton Council it is a pleasure to welcome you to Arrow Corps 5, Bridger Teton National Forest's location. We welcome you to one of the most beautiful, diverse, and historically rich regions of our country. We are proud of our Lodge and Council – its past, present and future – and we are eager to share it with you.

When you are not at the work site we hope you will take advantage of the beautiful and exciting area. You will find great hiking trails, such as the climb to Table Rock from our Treasure Mountain Scout Camp outside of Driggs, Idaho to be a most beautiful and exhilarating hike with spectacular views of the Tetons and the mountain valley and even on to the famous potato growing Snake River Valley.

If you enjoy fly-fishing the rivers and streams around Island Park Idaho are some of the best in the country. If you want a little more excitement there are some great whitewater rafting trips available in the Jackson Hole area. In the western part of our council you will find Craters of the Moon National Monument where the astronauts trained before going to the moon. You could also visit the first nuclear reactor in the country. And of course there is always Yellowstone National Park with its' many marvels and wonders to see and explore.

Thank you for coming and serving in this most meaningful project. You are adding to our history and environment. We hope that the time you spend here will be rewarding both physically and spiritually. Take some time to enjoy the many marvelous creations and attractions in the area. We hope that you will make some positive lasting memories here and will be able to come back and visit us again.

With warmest personal regards,

Dylan Ellsworth
Lodge Chief

Bill Rasmussen
Lodge Adviser

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Scout Executive

David Widdison
Lodge Staff Adviser

What You Need for a week in the Bridger-Teton National Forest

Following is the official, updated list gear list for the Bridger-Teton AC5 project site.

***PLEASE REMEMBER TO MARK YOUR GEAR! ***

Personal Items

- Physical/medical form (REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION – NO EXCEPTIONS)
- Official Scout uniform (shirt, shorts or trousers, scout socks, OA sash) for opening and closing program, pictures, travel, etc.
- Scout activity uniform (AC5 shirts, scout shirt, scout pants)
- 2 or 3 one liter water bottles or a hydration
- Plastic drinking cup
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Hat - wide brim preferred if sun intolerant (baseball cap ok)
- Pack or duffel bag (consider rain cover or plastics bags for additional water protection)
- Chap stick/lip balm—SPF 15 is recommended
- 1 Rain jacket & pants—vinyl or heavy non-breathable material are NOT recommended (Gortex or breathable are better since we will work in the rain)
- 1 Swimming suit and towel
- Personal toiletry kit (biodegradable liquid soap in a container, comb, toothbrush, metal mirror, washcloth, and toothpaste etc.)
- Partial roll of toilet paper (personal/emergency use)
- Bath towel
- Mosquito/insect repellent
- Jacket – Fleece or wool recommend
- Camp shoes for use in camp
- Sandals for showering

Personal Items (continued)

- 5 Extra pairs of polypropylene socks and work boot socks—wool or breathable fabric
- 5 Scout related t-shirts or wicking material t-shirts
- 5 Sets of underwear
- 4 Long sleeve shirts
- Light jacket as the evenings may get cold (think “layers”)
- Sun protection (SPF-30 or higher)
- Sunglasses
- Day Pack—to carry lunch, water, rain gear, etc.
- Large bandana(s)
- Personal first aid kit
- Disposable camera (optional)
- Pocket knife - 4" blade or less (optional)
- Camp stool/chair/sitting pad (optional)
- Trekking poles (optional)

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- 1 Pair of leather work gloves
- Work boots, hiking boots, or sturdy shoes will be required that protect above the ankle
- 2 Long sleeve work shirts-breathable fabric is best, cotton is NOT recommended
- 2 Pairs of long pants (jeans), bib overalls, carharts, etc. for working

Sleeping Gear

- Sleeping bag (Rated at 20 degrees F or below)
- Tent (two-man with a rain fly) (shared with another member of your contingent)
- Ground sheet
- Ground pad
- Sleeping clothes worn only for sleeping

Personal Protective Equipment: Do I really need to wear this stuff?



So what is personal protective equipment or PPE as some people call it? PPE is what we wear to make sure we go home safely when we do work involving hazards. Our PPE will also make it so we can enjoy the Jackson Hole area instead of sitting in a hospital bed. For the Bridger-Teton (BT) project, we have a set of Job Hazard Analyses that tell us what we need to wear to get the work done safely. It's really a pretty simple list.

First we'll be wearing long pants on the job. This will keep us from scratching our legs on brush or cutting our legs with a tool. Next, we'll be wearing long sleeve shirts for the same reasons that we wear long pants. Sturdy leather gloves are next on the list so we don't cut our hands. The properly dressed Arrowman will also be wearing sturdy shoes that cover the ankle. Again, the boots will protect our feet from being injured. Each Arrowman is responsible for supplying all of the PPE mentioned so far. PPE supplied by the OA is next.

Each of us will be sporting a hard hat to keep our noggins safe from tools, branches, and fencing (yes, the fences are that tall). Finishing off our attire, we will be wearing a pair of safety glasses. Let's face it, part of the reason you're going to Bridger-Teton is to see the scenery. Wearing safety glasses will make sure you get to enjoy the scenery. You may be asked to wear additional PPE as part of your job at Bridger-Teton. Remember that we're wearing this stuff so we can get the work done safely.

TIPS FOR WEARING PPE

- Light colored clothes will make the long sleeves and pants cooler
- Take the time to fit your hard hat well to your head
- Break in your boots before you get to the BT
- Always make sure your safety glasses stay clean
- If you hate wearing a hard hat, consider buying one that you think looks cool. You will be more likely to wear it. Make sure it that it meets American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards. You may also need to wear a bandana on your head to prevent chaffing. The same goes for safety glasses. You can buy great looking safety glasses that are also sun glasses. Again, make sure that the safety glasses meet ANSI standards.

All Work and No Play is No Fun!



The program for ArrowCorps5 is in its final wrap-up. The last touches are being put on the day to day operations and shows. The youth sections chiefs and advisors have put in months of hard work putting the program together to include daily themes, and opening and closing gathering, as well as other neat activities during the week. Now, I can't give away all of the program elements as they will remain secret until arrival at the site. We are working diligently to make this week one of the most memorable with emphasis on brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service. The program team has put together an excellent program that will prove to be higher adventure in all regards.

As ArrowCorps5 approaches the program committee comes to a finish in planning. The program committee has been working for the past few months to come up with several program activities that are sure to excite all Arrowmen. During the week participants will be active in service to the trails and surrounding forest. However, the old adage is all and work no play is no fun. So, we have worked to bring to each participant a chance at some real fun. During the course of the week we will have astronomy, plant and animal identification, shows, games, and some hidden elements. Now these hidden elements will stay hidden until the week of ArrowCorps5. Be sure to be thinking of what you would like to participate in so that you can find a higher adventure.

Tyler Elliott
Deputy Incident Commander (Youth) - Program

Important Information about BT Registration

The Registration Director for the Bridger-Teton ArrowCorp5 site is Joe Glenski (glenski@cray.com). Please contact him with any registration issues, questions or concerns.

Thank you for submitting your Form C's!

The Arrowcorp5 Participant Agreement and Information Forms ("Form C") were due to the national OA office on May 1st. A big "Thank You!" to all of you who worked to submit all your Form C's by the deadline. If some of your Form C's did not make it by that deadline, please send them in right away. We need the information on these forms to continue our planning for your participants' involvement in the Bridger-Teton project.

Participant Fees:

The AC5 participant fee has now gone up to \$300 for any person not fully paid by May 1st. All fees must be received at the national OA office by May 31st. If you still have any fees outstanding, please send them in before the end of May.

Updated registration information:

Due to the large number of Form C's and payments received at the beginning of May, the national OA office will take some weeks to process all the information. After they complete that work, they will provide us updated council registration counts and payment reports. We will send out updated information to the council coordinators / contingent leaders when it is made available. Please be patient. If you have a specific B-T registration issue, please contact Joe Glenski, not the National OA Office!

Changes to Form C's:

If some of the information on your Form C's have changed since you submitted them, please email the changes to our Registration Director, Joe Glenski (glenski@cray.com). You do not need to resend the entire form, just note which item(s) have changed and provide the new information.

Cancellation and Refund Policy:

The \$100.00 per-person deposit is transferable to a substitute within the same council on a one-for-one basis but it is non-refundable and may not be applied to the balance due for another person. Participants canceling their reservation after May 31, 2008 will forfeit their entire ArrowCorps5 fee.

Reminder: Arrival and Departure Dates and Location:

All participants are scheduled to arrive at Bridger-Teton on Saturday, July 26th, between 9:00am and 5:00pm. Participants will check in at the Jackson Hole High School, in Jackson, WY. All participants will be departing on Saturday, August 2, after breakfast and before 11:00am.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

This month, we bring you another set of the most frequently asked questions about the Bridger-Teton ArrowCorp⁵ project. If you have a question that has not been answered, please e-mail us at oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com and we'll get you an answer. If you have a question, we're sure someone else has the same question. Who knows, your question might find its way here to the FAQ page!

Q: What will temperatures and weather be like during our week in the Bridger-Teton National Forest?

A: Below is a historical chart of average temperatures of the area during the dates we will be there.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	avg. High	Avg. Low	mean	high	low
JULY							
20	6:01 AM	8:57 PM	80°F	42°F	61°F	93°F (2003)	32°F (1986)
21	6:02 AM	8:56 PM	80°F	43°F	61°F	93°F (2003)	32°F (1986)
22	6:03 AM	8:56 PM	80°F	43°F	61°F	90°F (1960)	33°F (1972)
23	6:04 AM	8:55 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	94°F (2003)	33°F (1981)
24	6:05 AM	8:54 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	95°F (2003)	31°F (1981)
25	6:06 AM	8:53 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	95°F (2003)	34°F (1964)
26	6:07 AM	8:52 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	90°F (1988)	33°F (1999)
27	6:08 AM	8:50 PM	81°F	43°F	62°F	90°F (1988)	31°F (1963)
28	6:09 AM	8:49 PM	81°F	43°F	62°F	91°F (1994)	32°F (2002)
29	6:10 AM	8:48 PM	81°F	43°F	62°F	90°F (1994)	31°F (1959)
30	6:11 AM	8:47 PM	81°F	43°F	62°F	92°F (2000)	34°F (2002)
31	6:12 AM	8:46 PM	81°F	43°F	62°F	95°F (2000)	31°F (1995)
AUGUST							
1	6:13 AM	8:45 PM	81°F	43°F	62°F	96°F (2000)	32°F (1975)
2	6:14 AM	8:43 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	95°F (2000)	34°F (1963)
3	6:15 AM	8:42 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	93°F (2003)	32°F (1963)
4	6:16 AM	8:41 PM	80°F	43°F	62°F	93°F (1961)	27°F (1980)

Watch your inbox each month for a new issue of the *TOTALLY TETONS TRIBUNE*. In future issues, we will continue to make sure you get the information you need. If you have burning questions and you need an answer sooner, you can check the official ArrowCorp⁵ Bridger-Teton web site link on the National Order of the Arrow web site at www.oa-bsa.org.

If you need to contact one of the ArrowCorp⁵ Bridger-Teton Key Staff, please use the e-mail addresses below. You can also submit questions to the official e-mail address for our project at oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com.



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