

**REPORT ON BLM PARTICIPATION AT THE
1998 WYOMING HUNTING and FISHING HERITAGE EXPOSITION
September 11, 12, and 13, 1998**

Casper Events Center, Casper, Wyoming

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department began planning for the Expo in the fall of 1997. The Wyoming BLM State Office issued a memo, December 19, 1997, asking for Field Office assistance with the Expo. The response from Field Offices was positive that the BLM should be involved. From this response, Ray Hanson, LFO Outdoor Recreation Planner volunteered to coordinate the Wyoming BLM efforts for the Expo. A group of interested State, District, and Field Office staff formed a team to discuss to what extent and how the BLM would be involved in the Expo. The WSO contributed \$3,000 as a Silver Medal sponsor of the Expo.

The Expo team was comprised of:

WSO: Mark Goldbach, Gene Schaaf, Cindy Wertz
Casper: Pat Hiller, Rod Sanders, Kathy Alexander
Cody: Shirley Bye-Jech
Buffalo: Neil Schiche
Lander: Ray Hanson, Mike Stewart
Newcastle: Gary Lebsack
Rawlins: Mary Apple
Worland: Dave Baker, Janine Terry
Rock Springs: Andy Tenney

Participation in the conference calls varied from call to call but the above team members all contributed toward the planning of BLM's presence at the Expo. Joining the team for the last conference call was Lennie Eubanks from the Washington Office wilderness staff.

This team held five conference calls over the course of the spring and summer of 1998. The outcome of the planning effort was to emphasize the Operation Respect, Leave No Trace (LNT), and Tread Lightly programs.

Scheduling of the BLM booth inside the Casper Events Center and the outside LNT demonstration area was accomplished by individuals volunteering to work one or both of the locations.

Coverage of the booth and demonstration area:

Set up of the BLM Booth and LNT demo area on September 10, 1998 -

WSO: Mark Goldbach, Zeke Zakis; LFO: Ray Hanson

BLM Booth Coverage -

NFO: Gary Lebsack; CFO: Pat Hiller; WSO: Zeke Zakis, Mark Goldbach; RFO: Krystal Clair, Karla Swanson; LFO: Ray Hanson; WO: Lennie Eubanks; KFO: Vicki Herren; PFO: Kim Riech

Booth Take Down -

RFO: Karla Swanson; WO: Lennie Eubanks

LNT Demonstration Area coverage -

LFO: Ray Hanson, Kate Zachritz; WSO: Mark Goldbach; KFO: Vicki Herren; Cloud Peak Chapter Wilderness Watch, Sheridan, WY: Bob Tippie, Dalreen Kessler

LNT Demo Area Take Down -

LFO: Kate Zachritz; Cloud Peak Chapter Wilderness Watch, Sheridan, WY: Dalreen Kessler

Public Contact Count:

BLM Booth Inside Events Center -

September 11	-	578
		12 - 1065
		13 - <u>412</u>
Total		2,055

LNT Demonstration Area Outside Events Center -

September 11	-	126
		12 - 397
		13 - <u>291</u>
Total		814

Total Public Contacts - 2,869

Included in the above public contact totals were five requests from the public for follow-up information on various subjects at the BLM booth. One request from the public for follow-up information on LNT was received at the LNT demo area. These requests were assigned to various BLM staff for follow-up. For details, see the attached list of requests.

The Expo overall was a huge success. The participation of the BLM in the Expo contributed to this success. The effort to provide public outreach at the Expo enhanced the BLM's image and provided a valuable service to the public.

PUBLIC INQUIRES FOLLOW-UP SHEET

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BLM Leave No Trace Demonstration Area

Name/Address	Phone #	Subject	BLM Office/Contact
Rosann Roberts 1024 Laredo Douglas, WY	358-5533	LNT presentation to K, 1st, & 2nd grades	WSO/Goldbach
Courtney ?	332-7990	LNT info	LFO/Hanson

BLM Booth

Ken Huff Box 368 Midwest, WY 82643	437-6545	Careers with BLM	WSO/Hollis
Pete Moore 103 Hwy 59, #13 Douglas, WY 82633	358-4467	Closure of areas - Muddy Mtn.	CFO/Sanders
Les Bennington P.O. Box 2049 Glenrock, WY 82637	436-2233	Pony Express Trail	CFO/Carino
Dennis Goeling 905 S. Ill. Casper, WY 82609	237-8232	Shirley Mtn. road closure/white arrow program	RFO/Clair
James K. Wath ? 1907 S. Jackson Casper, WY 82609	473-1837	Powerline road by Cabin Creek, Rattlesnake Mtns. T32N, R86W	CFO/Sanders