Wyoming Wildland Fire Prevention and Education Team

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Wildfire Prevention Program Offered At National Historic Trails Center

CASPER, WY- Visitors to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center will have an opportunity to learn how to take a personal role in the prevention of wildland fires and general fire safety from a national team based in Casper.

Members of a national fire prevention and education team will be available at the Center on Wednesday, August 16 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM to distribute information and conduct activities for all ages.

"Our goal is to help the interagency fire management agencies across the State reach the public with messages that influence the way they handle fire. When firefighting and fire management agencies resources are stretched to meet frequent incidents of fire, it is imperative that human-caused fires be kept at a minimum. We need the public's cooperation to get that done," said Rich Olsen, team leader.

"The National Historic Trails Interpretive Center has graciously allowed our Team to use their facility and offer their visitors fire prevention and education information. Students from the Bar Nunn Elementary School will be at the Center on Wednesday which increases the opportunity to reach more young people," Olsen said.

The fire prevention and education team is planning to have another event at the Center in a few days. Details on this upcoming activity will be announced when the arrangements are completed.

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