

## Project Summary

### Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

**Project Title:** Wyoming Conservation Corps assistance on historic structures and cultural landscapes

**Type of Project:** Technical Assistance  
**Discipline:** Cultural  
**Funding Agency:** National Park Service  
**Other Partners/Cooperators:** University of Wyoming  
**Effective Dates:** 5/1/2009 - 12/31/09  
**Funding Amount:** \$9,000

**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** Students and crew leaders from the Wyoming Conservation Corp will have the opportunity to work with a wide range of staff at Bighorn Canyon NRA. They will receive an orientation to the park, and information about the significance and context of the work they will be performing. Tasks accomplished will include work at several historic ranches, replacing sod roofs and reconstructing historic corrals at the Mason Lovell Ranch. Crews will also assist with invasive plant management, treating early season weeds in prescribed burn areas and at historic ranches. Crews will also work with the fence repair team to clear brush from fence lines, and may contribute to a road removal project. We will regularly split the crew in to two smaller groups so that all crew members will have a chance to work on different projects with a range of NPS staff. All tasks will require use of hand tools, (shovels, rakes, hammers, draw knives etc) WCC will provided basic tools, with BICA to provided any specialized tools and associated safety gear.

A crew of 8 students will report to the NPS Lovell Visitor Center to work with natural and cultural resource staff From May 26<sup>th</sup> until June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009.

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:** Due Date for Final Report and/or Other Products: July 31, 2009

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