

Goose Creek Archaeological Field Project

Location: Wyoming, United States

Season Dates: June 12, 2006 – August 19, 2006

Session Dates: Full Season, some flexibility negotiable

Application Deadline: Rolling - May 31, 2006 (the sooner the better)

Program Type: Volunteer

Affiliation: Bighorn National Forest

Project Director: Dr. Wendy Sutton

Description:

During the summer 2006 field season we will be surveying, recording, and testing sites in the Goose Creek drainage, Bighorn National Forest, Wyoming. The Bighorns are in Northwest Plains. Lithic sources and seasonal resources have long attracted humans into the mountains. Sites within the project area date from the Paleoindian Period through the Protohistoric and Historic Periods, with Archaic occupations the most numerous. Site types include prehistoric campsites, prehistoric quarries, bison kills, and historic mining communities. Work will involve intensive hiking and some back country camping in vehicle restricted areas. We will be working in the beautiful Bighorn Mountains, at elevations between 7,000 and 9,500 feet. See <http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/> for additional information about the area.

Period(s) of occupation:

Paleoindian to Historic

Minimum length of stay for volunteers:

Entire Field Season, some flexibility negotiable. Our work schedule will average 5 days/week. However, we will work some extended sessions in the back country.

Minimum Age:

18

Experience Required:

None necessary. Field school or previous volunteer experience preferred. Professional archaeologists will be available to provide guidance and instruction.

Room and Board arrangements:

Volunteers will be compensated a minimum of \$15/work day throughout the field season (\$75/week) to help cover participants costs (i.e., food). Compensation rate is currently under review. Volunteers will be housed in Forest housing (dormitory style) throughout the field season. We will be making some multiple-day trips into remote areas; participants will be required to provide some of their own camping equipment (e.g., warm lightweight sleeping bag) during these trips.

Academic Credit:

Program director is willing to work with home institution of participant to grant independent credit if desired.

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