



Housing Information

Things to know for your trip to the UW-NPS Research Station at the AMK Ranch

What to Bring

- Bedding - Sheets and blankets (or sleeping bag) and pillow.
- Bath towel and toiletries.
- Bring your own food as we do not have a cafeteria. See the Food & Dining section of this document for more information on nearby restaurants and grocery stores.
- Wet/dry/cold/hot weather clothes. It can snow any month of the year, so be prepared for anything from hot, sunny days to rain or snow. Bring a variety of clothing layers for all kinds of weather. Bring a swimsuit if you'd like to swim in the lake.
- Bring fishing gear if you like to fish! A Wyoming fishing license is required to fish in GTNP – more information [here](#).
- Bear Spray – Can be purchased at the general store. [Read about bear safety](#) and know how to correctly use bear spray. You can also [watch the bear safety demonstration](#) held at the station during the 2016 season. Bear spray is not allowed in carry-on luggage, so if you are flying, either check your luggage or purchase bear spray after you arrive.

The research station is 6800 feet above sea level. Before you visit, [read about high altitude health issues](#) and be prepared to prevent altitude sickness.

Directions



Directions for Driving from Laramie

- Take Interstate 80 from Laramie to Rawlins.
- Take Highway 287 from Rawlins, through Lander and Dubois, to the Grand Teton National Park entrance at Moran Junction.
- Once you enter the park, stay on Highway 287 for about 16 miles. You'll go past Jackson Lake Lodge.
- About one mile past the Colter Bay gas station, turn left onto the road to Leek's Marina.
- Immediately as you enter the Leeks Marina parking area, turn right at the UW-NPS Research Station Sign and follow the road one mile to the station.

Directions for Driving from Jackson

- Take 191/89 north to Moran Junction to enter the park.
- Follow the directions above from the park entrance to the station.

Here is the [Google maps location](#), but be aware that cell signal can get spotty once you are north of Jackson Lake Lodge.

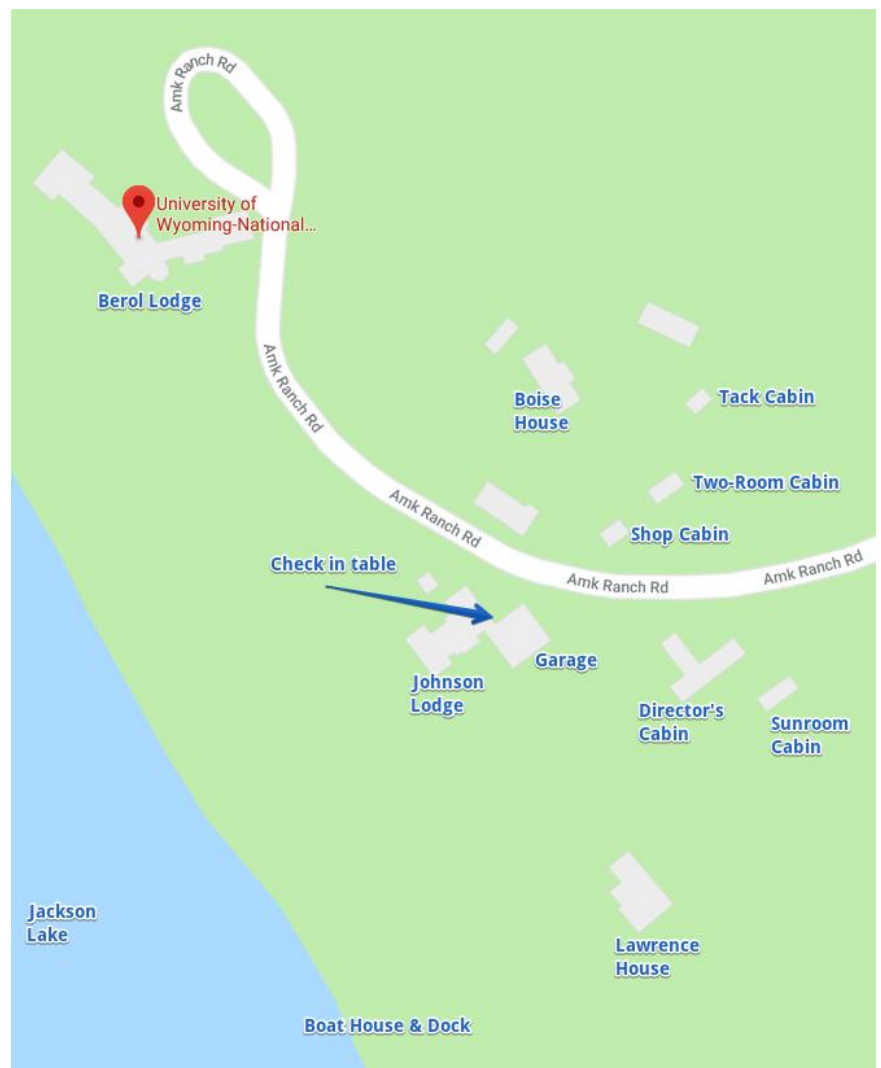
Check In and Check Out

Checking In

Check in is between **3 and 7 pm** at the Johnson Lodge (see map below). Your room may not be ready if you arrive earlier than 3 pm. If you need to arrive later than 7 pm, **YOU MUST NOTIFY US at least one week in advance** by emailing uwnps@uwyo.edu. You will need to sign the Station Rules and a Waiver when you check in.

Checking Out

Check out time is **noon**. To check out, complete all the tasks on the checkout sheet, and then leave the signed and dated check-out sheet with a staff member or on the table at the Johnson Lodge. **Failure to complete the check-out sheet will result in a \$50 fee.** Extra check-out sheets are located at the check-in table outside of Johnson. These should be completed even if you are sharing a room with someone else who is not checking out.



Facilities

The station is rustic, with most rooms dorm-style with bunk beds and access to communal bathrooms and kitchens. Kitchens are fully equipped for your use. We provide beds with clean mattress covers, but everyone must bring their own bedding. There are no laundry facilities on site for guests, but a laundromat is available at Colter Bay (3 miles south).

Accommodations are in historic buildings, most built in the 1920's and 30's, and as such are not handicap accessible. Should the need arise, we will work with you to facilitate access as best we can.

Housing Style

We offer two accommodation options: “dorm” or “group”.

Dorm accommodations – This option is to reserve a bed in a bedroom shared with other station guests of the same gender.

Group accommodations – This option is for reserving bedrooms for your group only. You might share a bedroom but it will only be shared with those in your group. **Group housing is the best option for those who have children, don't know their gender breakdown at the time of booking, don't have an exact count of how many beds will be needed, or just need some extra space.** Cost is based on how many beds are in the rooms being reserved, not how many people actually sleep in the rooms.

Overnight guests (including friends and family of station guests) are not allowed without reservations.

Bedroom	Beds	Living room	Bathroom	Kitchen
Shop Cabin	4 bunks	No	Johnson communal	Johnson east kitchen Fridge, microwave in cabin
Tack Cabin	2 bunks	No	Johnson communal	Johnson east kitchen Fridge, microwave in cabin
Two Room Cabin	4 bunks	No	Johnson communal	Johnson east kitchen Fridge, microwave in cabin
Sunroom Cabin	1 queen 2 bunks	Yes	Private	Private
Berol – Kenneth's Room	2 bunks	No	Private	Johnson east kitchen
Berol – Speaker's Room	1 queen 2 bunks	No	Private	Johnson east kitchen Fridge, microwave in room
Boise – Northwest	4 bunks	Yes	Private	Shared with others in house
Boise - Northeast	4 bunks	Yes	Shared with others in house	
Boise – Southwest	4 bunks	Yes	Shared with others in house	
Johnson – Cellar	4 bunks	No	Johnson communal	Johnson west kitchen
Johnson – Downstairs	6 bunks	Yes	Private	Johnson west kitchen

Johnson – Upstairs	6 bunks	Yes	Private	Johnson west kitchen
Johnson – Kitchen	2 bunks	No	Private	Johnson east kitchen
Lawrence – Kitchen	2 bunks	Yes	Shared with others in house	
Lawrence – South	4 bunks	Yes	Shared with others in house	
Lawrence – North	4 bunks	Yes	Shared with others in house	

The Johnson communal bathroom is in the Johnson Lodge off the main hallway. Refrigerators in the Johnson east kitchen are assigned by staff at check in. Only use your assigned refrigerator!

Amenities

- The UW-NPS Research Library in the Berol Lodge has Wi-Fi and 2 Windows workstations connected to the UW library system
- The boat dock on Jackson Lake has kayaks, canoes, and life preservers available for check-out.
- Lab space is available for reservation.
- Conference/meeting space is available for reservation at the Berol Lodge. The south meeting room has seating for 30+ people, and the great room can seat 90+.

Fees

Lodging

Dorm lodging rate is per person.

Group lodging rate is per number of beds in the space reserved. Queen beds are counted as 2 beds.

Regular rate per night	\$20
Discounted rate per night for those with a University of Wyoming contact person for invoicing	\$15

Cleaning

Cleaning Fee - Waived if checkout instructions are followed	\$50
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Boat Use

Canoe or Kayak for research use, per day	\$5
Pelican 19' Research Boat	
First 4 hours	\$100
Each additional Hour	\$40
Buoy fee per night	\$40

Facility Use

Meeting rooms or lab space per day	
- University of Wyoming	No Charge
- Others, depending on room size, affiliation, etc.	\$50-200
Contact the director for accurate pricing.	

Cleaning

Please follow the **daily** cleaning schedule below to keep facilities in good condition.

- Quick toilet cleaning. Toilet scrubber & cleaner are next to every toilet.
- Wipe down tub/shower area.
- Remove hair and debris from drain in sinks and shower.
- Take trash and recycling to the Johnson garage.
- Remove all personal items from porches.

Food & Dining

Groceries

The [Colter Bay grocery store](#) (~ 3 miles south) stocks basic items, including produce and dry goods and has a small bakery, coffee shop and handmade ice cream. There is also a gift shop and laundromat next door. The Colter Bay gas station on Hwy 89 has some groceries as well. Both are open late May through early October.

For more affordable options, drive about an hour south to the town of Jackson to shop at Smith's and Lucky's (the most affordable), or Albertson's and Jackson Whole Grocer.

Restaurants

Most restaurants listed here are open mid to late May and close in early October (updated schedules [here](#)).

- *Leeks Pizzeria* – This is at Leek's Marina, a mile down the road from the station.
- *Colter Bay Village* (3 miles) – There are two restaurants at Colter Bay: [Ranch House](#) and [Colter Café Court](#).
- *Jackson Lake Lodge* (6 miles) – Three restaurants are available: [Mural Room](#), [Pioneer Grill](#), and [Blue Heron Lounge](#). They also have shops, a small bar, internet service, and other amenities.
- *Signal Mountain Lodge* (13 miles) – There is a general store, a gift shop, laundromat, and two restaurants: [Peaks Restaurant](#) and [Trapper Grill](#).

Phone and Internet

Phone

Cell phone access at the station is limited. Most people only have cell service when standing outside on the hill next to the Berol Lodge. Depending on your phone service provider, you might be able to send and receive text messages around other parts of the station.

Internet

Internet (via Wi-Fi and two connected UW computers) is available for guest use at the Berol lodge. Bandwidth at the station is limited so should only be used for data-light internet activities such as email. No downloading (or uploading) large files, streaming music or video, or posting media to Facebook. We have a fixed amount of data to last each month. Once that limit is reached, internet access is blocked by our internet provider until the next billing cycle. Please be respectful of guests arriving later in the month and limit your usage!

For unlimited internet access, visit [Jackson Lake Lodge](#) (10 minute drive) or the [Craig Thomas Discovery & Visitor's Center](#) in Moose (40 min. drive).

Boat Safety

Use of canoes and kayaks is at your own risk. Every station guest must sign a liability waiver and rules agreement at check in. Jackson Lake can go from calm and easily paddled to dangerous whitecaps in under 20 minutes. We strongly recommend that canoes and kayaks stay close to the shoreline or take the short trip out to Cow island. Do not paddle across the lake! All users of station boats must sign out when they leave and sign back in when they return. The log sheet is located in the boathouse.

Station Rules

WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING – NATIONAL PARK SERVICE RESEARCH STATION AT THE AMK RANCH

Life on the Research Station is based upon courteous, respectful behavior and the expression of common sense:

- No loud interactions in buildings or on the Station grounds between 10:00 pm and 8:00 am.
- Social functions on the boat dock and elsewhere on the Station grounds will be conducted in a reserved manner.
- This is a drug-free Research Station – responsible alcohol consumption by adults is allowed, however public intoxication will not be tolerated.
- No overnight guests or room changes by patrons unless discussed and approved in advance by the Director.
- Keep kitchens, food storage, living and work spaces clean and tidy to avoid attracting mice and other critters.
- Empty trash receptacles in the Johnson garage trash collection area each morning and do not leave coolers or other food containers outside (day or night).
- No accumulation of clothes, furniture or equipment on porches or public spaces.
- No smoking within buildings and safe disposal of extinguished material is required.
- Know locations of fire extinguishers and first aid boxes in your living space.
- Report unsafe conditions, equipment malfunctions, etc. to Station staff immediately.
- Be “Bear Aware” (be alert, make noise, carry bear spray, do not run) and follow all recommendations for safe conduct around bears and other wildlife. Grizzlies are regular station visitors.
- Station canoe and kayak use is allowed, but only after review of safety rules and approval by Station staff.
- Emergency call-out numbers are 911 and 307-739-3301 for Grand Teton Ranger Dispatch.
- For medical emergencies or other medical treatment contact Grand Teton Medical Clinic located at Jackson Lake Lodge 307-543-2514 (307-733-8002 after hours).
- Principal investigators and class instructors are responsible for the conduct of all members of their party.

Thanks for keeping the UW-NPS Research Station at the AMK Ranch a safe and clean place to work!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Dillon". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Michael Dillon, Director