



# 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.
- Bear Spray can be purchased at the general store if you don't have any. [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.
- Travel size first aid kits if you plan to do any hiking.

The research station is 6800 feet above sea level. Before your 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.

## 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](mailto: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 checkout sheet on the table at the Johnson Lodge. **Failure to complete the checkout sheet will result in a \$50 fee.** Extra checkout 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 laundromats are available at Colter Bay and Signal Mountain.

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. Cost is per person, per night.

Group accommodations – This option is for reserving bedrooms for your group only. If you share a bedroom it will only be with others in your same 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 you stay in; 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 conference room has seating for 30+ people, and the seminar room can seat 90+.
- Kitchens have refrigerators, stoves, microwaves, coffee makers, pots & pans, dishes, and basic cooking supplies and utensils.

## Rates

#### Dorm Rates

Regular rate per person, per night for dorm bed or cot. \$20  
Discounted rate for those paying via IDT (University of Wyoming only). \$15

#### Group Rates

Nightly rate is based on number of beds in the room or building. Queen beds are counted as 2 beds.

Room or Building	Regular Rate	UW Rate (if paying via IDT)
Shop Cabin	80	60
Tack Cabin	40	30
Two Room Cabin	80	60
Sunroom Cabin	80	60

Berol – Kenneth’s Room	40	30
Berol – Speaker’s Room	80	60
Boise – Northwest	80	60
Boise - Northeast	80	60
Boise – Southwest	80	60
Johnson – Cellar	80	60
Johnson – Downstairs	120	90
Johnson – Upstairs	120	90
Johnson – Kitchen	40	30
Lawrence – Kitchen	40	30
Lawrence – South	80	60
Lawrence – North	80	60

### Cleaning Fee

Fee may be waived if all checkout instructions are followed. \$50

### Boat Use

Canoe or Kayak for research use, per day (if not residing at the station) \$5

Pelican 10’ Research Boat

First 4 hours \$100

Each additional hour \$40

Buoy fee per night \$40

### Meeting Rooms and Lab Space (if not residing at the station)

For those affiliated with University of Wyoming No Charge

All others - Email [uwnps@uwyo.edu](mailto:uwnps@uwyo.edu) for accurate pricing. \$50-200

## Cleaning

During your visit, please follow the daily cleaning schedule below to keep facilities in good condition. Cleaning supplies are located in every kitchen and bathroom.

- Quick toilet cleaning.
- 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 are open mid to late May and close in early October. [Check schedules here.](#)

- *Leeks Pizzeria* – This is at Leek's Marina, a mile down the road from the station.
- *Colter Bay Village* (3 miles) – [Ranch House](#) and [Colter Café Court](#).
- *Jackson Lake Lodge* (6 miles) – [Mural Room](#), [Pioneer Grill](#), and [Blue Heron Lounge](#). They also have gift shops, 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](#).
- *Flagg Ranch* (16 miles) - [Sheffields](#).

### BBQ Grills

The BBQ grills at the station must be run by staff only and are not available for guest use. If you have a special event and want to use the grills, contact the station director well in advance so we can plan for staff availability. An extra charge will apply.

## 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.

## Pets

While we cannot have dogs at the station, there are some pet friendly places nearby. All of the places listed at [this website](#) are close to the station, with Colter Bay being the closest.

If you would like more information on pets in the National Park, you can find out more [here](#).

## Cancellations & Changes

The full amount is charged for any cancellations occurring less than one week in advance of your expected arrival date. If you are a No Show or if you leave the station earlier than expected without providing a minimum of 1 week notice, you will be charged for the full visit scheduled.

To cancel or make changes to your visit, email [uwnps@uwyo.edu](mailto:uwnps@uwyo.edu). It is important to notify us of any changes so we can accommodate others who are on the waiting list.

## Mail

If you need to receive mail while you are here, the mailing address to use is:

UW-NPS Research Station  
PO Box 170  
Moran, WY 83013-0170

Staff will pick up the mail at the PO Box once each week and drop it off in the mail area in the Johnson communal kitchen.

If you need a package to be sent directly to the station via Fed-Ex or UPS, use the following address.

UW-NPS Research Station  
Grand Teton National Park  
1 AMK Ranch Road, #170  
(AMK Road entrance is off the front of Leek's Marina Parking lot)  
Moran, WY 83013-1017

Even when using Fed-Ex or UPS, sometimes packages are left at the PO Box and are not delivered to the station. If you have not received a package you were expecting, it may be at the PO Box and will be delivered with the weekly mail run.



# 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!



Michael Dillon, Director

### TO BE SIGNED BY ON SITE GROUP LEADER ONLY

I have read and agree to abide by these rules. **As the group leader, I will ensure that my party also abides by these rules.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### This section to be filled out by staff

Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ # of People: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Housing Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_

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

### Annual Release, Assumption of Risk & Agreement to Hold Harmless

I am aware that the UW-NPS Research Station at the AMK Ranch (hereafter referred to as “Research Station”) is a wilderness facility and as such being present and participating in activities at the Research Station is potentially dangerous and may involve a risk of exposure to weather, a variety of vegetation and all types of wildlife both indoors and outdoors and A RISK OF INJURY ranging from minor injuries such as scrapes and bruises to serious injuries such as exposure to disease and up to and including paralysis or even death. I am aware that such an injury can limit my future life activities, including future earning capacity. I am aware of my medical and physical conditions and have determined that I am appropriately fit to participate in all activities associated with the research station. Because of the potential dangers and risks, I recognize the importance of following instructions provided and I agree to follow all directions or applicable rules of the Research station, the University of Wyoming, and the National Park Service.

I understand that the Research Station recommends or requires the use of various equipment for some station activities including life jackets for boating. The Research Station will make such equipment available to me when at Research Station facilities and I have the option to use the Research Station equipment or my own equipment as well as the option to reject the use of any safety equipment that is recommended but not required. I hereby acknowledge that this is my choice, I make it voluntarily and this release applies to the result of any such decision on my part.

I hereby grant permission for the University to give or authorize emergency medical treatment, if necessary, and such action by the University shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. I understand and agree that the University assumes no responsibility for any injury, damage, or financial obligation, which might arise out of or in connection with such authorized emergency medical treatment.

In consideration of the Research Station providing me the opportunity to participate in activities at the UW-NPS Research Station or any other activities anywhere at any time, I hereby assume all the risks associated with my participation, including use of University facilities and equipment and any and all other activities incidental to my participation, regardless of cause or how they occur. I agree to hold the Research Station, University of Wyoming, the National Park Service, its trustees, officers, employees, agents, representatives, instructors, and volunteers and the State of Wyoming harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of action, debts, attorney fees, claims, or demands of any kind and nature whatsoever which may arise by or in connection with my participation. The terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for myself, my heirs, estate, executor, administrator, assignees and for all members of my family.

I have read the above statement and fully understand the contents, consequences and implications of signing/agreeing to this document. I further understand that this release and assumption of risks remains valid for all of my participation in the stated activities until I take affirmative action to rescind this waiver.

### **TO BE SIGNED BY ALL MEMBERS IN THE GROUP. SIGN ON ONE COPY - DO NOT TURN IN MULTIPLE WAIVERS FOR ONE GROUP!**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**IF ANY OF THE INDIVIDUALS ABOVE IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE:**

I, being the parent or legal guardian of the above participant, \_\_\_\_\_, who is under the age of 18, have read the above statement and fully understand the contents, consequences and implications of signing this document.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Checkout Sheet

Check out time is no later than noon. Before you check out, complete all the tasks on the checklist below. ***Failure to complete all tasks will result in a \$50 cleaning fee.***

- \_\_\_\_ Remove all your personal items.
- \_\_\_\_ Take trash and recycling to the Johnson Garage.
- \_\_\_\_ Pull mattress covers and other station bedding off any of the beds that were slept in and put them in the canvas bag in the Johnson garage.
- \_\_\_\_ Put all used dishrags and dishcloths in the canvas bag in the Johnson garage.
- \_\_\_\_ Thoroughly clean toilets, sinks, tubs & showers.
- \_\_\_\_ Wipe down counters.
- \_\_\_\_ Sweep floor.
- \_\_\_\_ Remove all your items from the refrigerator and wipe it down. Do not leave any food unless you have made prior arrangements with the station staff.
- \_\_\_\_ Sign this sheet and leave it on the check in table at Johnson.
- \_\_\_\_ Please let us know if there are any issues with where you were staying (Lightbulbs out, slow-draining sinks, leaks, mice, etc).

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## TO BE SIGNED BY GROUP LEADER

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### This section to be filled out by staff

All items on checklist completed? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Check Out Date \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Name \_\_\_\_\_

Notes \_\_\_\_\_