



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 towels and toiletries.
- Food – Bring your own food, or see the Food & Dining section of this document for more information on restaurants and groceries.
- Wet/dry/cold/hot weather clothes. It can snow any month of the year, so be prepared for anything from hot sunny days to cold rain to snow. Bring a variety of clothing layers for all kinds of weather. Bring a swimsuit if you'd like to swim in the lake on warm days.
- Bring fishing gear if you like to fish! Remember to bring your fishing license, or you can [get one while you are here](#).
- Bear Spray – Can be purchased at the general store. Be sure to [read about bear safety](#) and know how to correctly use bear spray. You can also [watch the bear safety demonstration](#) that was held at the station during the 2016 season.

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. At the turn off is a sign that says "Leeks Marina and Restaurant".
- As soon 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 between **3 and 7 pm** at the Johnson Lodge (see map below). Be aware that your room may not be ready if you arrive earlier than 3 pm. If you need to arrive later than 7 pm, please let us know at least one week in advance by emailing uwnps@uwyo.edu.

Checking Out

Check out no later than noon. Before you check out, please complete all the cleaning tasks on the checklist below. ***Be aware that failure to complete the check out list will result in a \$50 cleaning fee.***

Checkout List

- 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 (if your room has private kitchen or bath facilities).
- 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.**
- Find a staff member to do a walk through and sign you out before you leave.

Facilities

About our Station

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, but everybody must bring their own bedding. There is no washer or dryer on site for guests, but a laundromat is available nearby at Colter Bay.

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 can work with you to facilitate access as best we can.

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

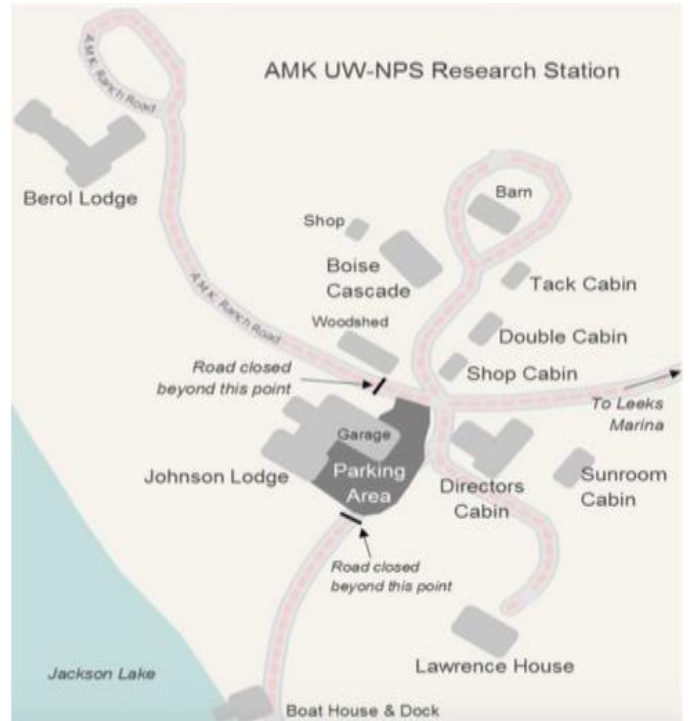
Guests are not allowed without reservations.

Housing Style

We offer two accommodation options: dorm or group style.

For dorm-style housing, you are reserving any available bed and may share a room (with other guests of the same gender) as well as a bathroom, kitchen, and common areas.

Group housing ensures dedicated space for the people in your group. You can reserve an entire building complete with kitchen and bathroom. Or you can just reserve a few bedrooms in a building so you are not sharing bedrooms with other researchers, but still share common areas. **For group housing, the cost is based on how many beds are in the space being reserved for your group, not how many people are in your group.**



Room	Beds	Livingroom	Bathroom	Kitchen
Shop Cabin	4 bunks	No	Communal	Communal (Fridge, microwave in cabin)
Tack Cabin	2 bunks	No	Communal	Communal (Fridge, microwave in cabin)
Two Room Cabin	4 bunks	No	Communal	Communal (Fridge, microwave in cabin)
Sunroom Cabin	1 full, 2 bunks	Yes	Private	Private
Berol – Kenneth's Room	2 bunks	No	Private	Communal
Berol – Speaker's Room	1 full, 1 twin	No	Private	Communal (Fridge in room)
Boise – Northwest	4 bunks	Yes	Private	Shared
Boise - Northeast	4 bunks	Yes	Shared	Shared
Boise – Southeast	2 bunks	Yes	Shared	Shared
Boise – Southwest	4 bunks	Yes	Shared	Shared

Johnson – Cellar	4 bunks	No	Communal	Shared
Johnson – Downstairs	6 bunks	Yes	Private	Shared
Johnson - Upstairs	6 bunks	Yes	Private	Shared
Johnson - Kitchen	2 bunks	No	Private	Communal
Lawrence – Kitchen	2 bunks	Yes	Shared	Shared
Lawrence – South	4 bunks	Yes	Shared	Shared
Lawrence – North	4 bunks	Yes	Shared	Shared

* Communal showers and bathroom are in the Johnson Lodge off the main hallway. The communal kitchen is the East kitchen in the Johnson Lodge. Be sure to ask a staff member which refrigerator is assigned to you.

Amenities

- The UW-NPS Research Library is in the Berol Lodge.
- We have a boat dock on Jackson Lake with kayaks, canoes, and life preservers for your use.
- 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+.
- Airport Pickup – If arranged well in advance, we may be able to provide transportation to and from the Jackson airport (34 miles, 45 minute drive from the station).

Fees

Lodging

Dorm Style: Per person, per night	\$15 (per person)
Group Style: Per bed, per night	\$15 (per bed in space being reserved)

Cleaning

Cleaning Fee (Waived if space is properly cleaned.)	\$50
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Boat Use

Canoe or Kayak for research use, per day	\$25 (Per day)
Pelican 19' Research Boat	
First 4 hours	\$100
Each additional Hour	\$40
Buoy fee per night	\$35

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 cleaning schedule below to keep facilities in good condition.

Daily

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

Weekly (by noon on Friday)

- Put used dish rags and dish towels in the container provided.
- Sweep floors
- A staff member will come in to mop the floors and get the rags & towels for washing.

Food & Dining

Groceries

There is a [grocery store at Colter Bay](#). It's a small store with basics, and a gift shop and laundromat next door. There is also a gas station at Colter Bay that has some groceries as well. Open late May through early October.

More affordable groceries are in Jackson Hole, about an hour's drive away. Smith's and Lucky's are the most affordable. There is also Albertson's and Jackson Whole Grocer.

Restaurants

Leeks Pizzeria – This is at Leek's Marina, a mile down the road from the station. Open May 29 through early October.

Colter Bay Village (3 miles) – There are two restaurants at Colter Bay: [Ranch House](#) (May 25-Oct 1) and [Colter Café Court](#) (May 26-Sep 5).

Jackson Lake Lodge (6 miles) – Three restaurants are available: [Mural Room](#) (Mid-May through Early October), [Pioneer Grill](#) (May 18-Oct 8), and [Blue Heron Lounge](#) (May 18-Oct 8). 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, and [several restaurants](#) including The Peaks Restaurant, Trapper Grill, and Deadman's Bar.

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 WIFI and two connected UW computers) is available for guest use at the Berol lodge. However, we have limited bandwidth with slow upload and download speeds. It is to be used for very light internet activities such as email, and is not available for downloading large files, streaming video, or even posting media to Facebook. We have a set amount of bandwidth to last a month, and if it runs out early due to overuse, internet isn't available again until the next billing cycle begins.

For better internet access, you can go to [Jackson Lake Lodge](#) (Open May 18 – October 8). The [Craig Thomas Discovery & Visitor's Center](#) in Moose also has internet you can use. Note that the [Colter Bay Visitor Center](#) does **not** have internet access.

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 a matter of 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 on the boat user log in the boathouse.

Wildlife

Some of the animals you may see here at the station during your visit include black bears, grizzly bears, elk, deer, bald eagles, Uinta ground squirrels, foxes, and more.

Other animals who might be roommates with you in some of the buildings include little brown bats, mice, and pine martens. To keep these roommates to a minimum, be sure to follow the cleaning schedule!

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

I have read and agree to abide by these rules.

Signature

Date

Printed Name: _____

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Annual Release, Assumption of Risk & Agreement to Hold Harmless

I am aware that visiting the UW-NPS Research Station (hereafter referred to as “Research Station”) may include dangerous activities involving A RISK OF INJURY ranging from minor injury to serious injuries 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 or damage, 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.

Signature _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____

IF THE INDIVIDUAL 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 _____