GETTING TO WHITE GRASS

If you enter “White Grass Ranch” into google maps, the directions will identify the correct location. When you reach the Moose, you may lose cell phone reception and access to google maps navigation. Follow steps four through six below to navigate the gate, parking, etc. upon arriving at the ranch.

Directions from Highway 89/191

1. Whether arriving from the north or south on Highway 89/191, turn west at Moose Junction onto the Teton Park Road and proceed to Moose, Wyoming, Grand Teton National Park Headquarters.

2. Across from the Post Office, turn left on the Moose-Wilson Road towards the Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve and Teton Village.

3. After three miles, turn right on Death Canyon Road following signs for the Death Canyon Trailhead.

4. Follow the road until the pavement ends (approximately one mile), and turn right and proceed through the NPS gate. Gate may be closed, **but it is not locked.** If you have trouble getting through the gate, please call the caretaker. Please close the gate after entering or leaving.

5. Once through the gate, bear left and follow the dirt road for one-half mile. Please park by the modern pump house (the first building you get to when you drive to the ranch).

6. Proceed to the Hammond Cabin to register with the caretaker to receive cabin assignment, key, etc. (map on following page)

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** To avoid paying park entrance fees on the way to White Grass, you must take Highway 89/191 turning at Moose Junction (do not enter the Granite Entrance Station north of Teton Village).
WHAT TO BRING

The ranch atmosphere is casual, the temperatures vary greatly from night to day, and the site has dirt roads and gravel paths. Pack accordingly. Here are some good items to remember:

• Personal hygiene items (i.e. shampoo, soap, toothpaste, sun screen, lip moisturizer, etc.)
• Warm layers and rain gear. The ranch can be cold at night and weather changes frequently
• Sturdy shoes– avoid sandals with open toes
• Refillable water bottle
• Sun hat

CHECK IN AND OUT

Check-in:

• Please arrive between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm on the day before the workshop begins.
• All guests must attend an orientation meeting at 6:15 pm check-in day.
• Guests should arrive at White Grass with food for at least their first evening meal (check-in day) and for breakfast and lunch the next day (the first full day of the workshop).
• Guests will be issued cabin keys, bear spray, and bed/bath linens.
• Lodging is not available for more than one night in advance of the beginning of a workshop or volunteer week (unless you have been given express permission from WCHP staff in advance for special circumstances).

Check-out:

• Please plan to check-out before 9:00 AM on the day after the workshop ends.
• No extended stays are permitted.
• A detailed check-out procedure document will be provided

STAYING AT WHITE GRASS

Cabins range from single cabins with one private bathroom to triple cabins with two shared bathrooms. For shared cabins, guests are assigned to share bedrooms and bathrooms with other guests of the same gender.

Cabins are equipped with:

• Electricity
• Hot/cold running water
- Baseboard heat
- Beds (mostly twin mattresses)
- Bedroom furniture
- Bed linens, blankets, towels and pillows
- ADA compliant access and restroom (cabin assigned upon request/need)

**Phone and Internet:**
- **Sleeping Cabins are not equipped with phones, internet, or television.**
- Cell service is available, though not always reliable. The nearest place for reliable service is in Moose (4.5 miles).
- Wifi Internet is available via satellite in the Main Cabin. There is also complementary Wi-Fi available at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center in Moose.

**Meals:**
- **All trainees will be responsible for their own food purchases and preparation.**
- Guests have 24-hour, full-access to the community kitchen, which has refrigerators/freezers, microwaves, four-burner stove with oven, coffee maker, a dishwasher, utensils, pots and pans, and dishes.
- White Grass Ranch staff will provide you with a large plastic bin for food storage in the kitchen. All dry goods must be stored in the provided plastic bins to prevent animals from eating any food. Refrigerator space is communal.
- Guests are responsible for cleaning up after themselves immediately after using the kitchen facility.
- **Food preparation and storage is not permitted in the sleeping cabins.** Coffee/coffee makers are not allowed in your sleeping cabin.
- **Local Grocery Stores:**
  - Smith’s Food and Drug: 1425 S. Hwy 89, Jackson, WY – 307-733-8908
  - Albertson’s: 105 Buffalo Way, Jackson, WY – 307-733-5950
  - Jackson Whole Grocer: 1155, US Hwy 89, Jackson, WY – 307-733-3014
  - Aspen’s Market: 4015 W. Lake Creek Dr., Wilson, WY – 307-200-6140
  - Mangy Moose Market: Teton Village, WY – 307-733-4913
  - Dornan’s: At Moose Junction off Hwy 191, Moose, WY – 307-733-2415
- **Nearest Restaurants:**
  - Dornan’s: At Moose Junction off Hwy 191, Moose, WY – 307-733-2415
  - The Calico: Highway 390 between Teton Village and Wilson- 307-733-2460
  - The Mangy Moose: In Teton Village- 307-733-4913
  - The Alpenhof: In Teton Village- 307-733-3242

**Transportation:**
- Guests are responsible for their own transportation to and from White Grass.
- In order to minimize the number of vehicles parked at White Grass, guests are encouraged to carpool whenever possible.
- If guests are unable to find their own transportation to and from the airport in Jackson, WCHP will attempt to facilitate airport shuttles between guests.
Trailers are not allowed on the Death Canyon Trailhead Road. Contact WCHP staff if you need to leave your trailer elsewhere in Moose prior to arriving at White Grass.

Laundry:
- Laundry facilities and detergent are available at no charge.

**WHAT TO DO OUTSIDE OF WORKSHOP HOURS**

Guests are encouraged to take advantage of the ranch setting after hours. The ranch is located a half mile from an easy hiking trailhead (a total of 1.5 miles from the ranch to the Phelps Lake Lookout). The ranch is about ten minutes from Moose and fifteen minutes from Teton Village. Both locations are vibrant in the summer/fall. You are also encouraged to stay on the ranch and enjoy the views and wildlife. Limited park entry passes may be available by request at check in.

A note on wildlife: bears and other wildlife enjoy White Grass Ranch as much as you do. For your safety, please carry bear spray and a flashlight (we will provide both) with you whenever you leave your cabin after dusk. To protect residents, all food items must be properly secured in vehicles, bear-proof containers, or inside the Main Cabin. Please do not leave any food or beverages in sleeping cabins or outside at any time. All food scraps and garbage must be discarded in the designated bear-proof dumpster.

**IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Contact for arrivals, check-in, directions, and hospitality needs:**
- Herb and Sally Ford, Ranch Caretakers, Western Center for Historic Preservation: Herbert_ford@partner.nps.gov and Sally_ford@partner.nps.gov or 307-699-5056
  *If you are unable to reach the Fords, you may contact Sean McConneville at 970-846-8469*

**Contact for workshop related information:**
- Erin Gibbs, Training Coordinator, Vanishing Treasures: erin_gibbs@nps.gov or 307-739-3571

**Contact for volunteer related information:**
- Maria Rachal, Hammercorps Coordinator, Grand Teton National Park: maria_rachal@partner.nps.gov or 307-739-3484

**In Case of emergency, dial 911**

**Additional Emergency resources:**
- Grand Teton National Park Dispatch: 307-739-3301
- Saint John’s Hospital, Jackson, WY: 307-733-3636

**USEFUL WEBSITES**
- White Grass Heritage Project Website: http://www.whitegrass.org
- Grand Teton National Park Website: http://www.nps.gov/grte
- Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce: http://www.jacksonholechamber.com
- Information for group camping within the park: http://www.nps.gov/grte/planyourvisit/campgrounds.htm
- Jackson Hole & Greater Yellowstone Visitor Center Website: http://www.fws.gov/nationalelkrefuge/JacksonHoleVisitorsCenter.htm
White Grass Dude Ranch is part of Grand Teton National Park. White Grass guests are subject to the same laws, regulations, and policies as all other park visitors. In rare circumstances guests may be asked to follow administrative procedures; violation of administrative procedures may result in the termination of lodging.

White Grass General Rules:

- Pets are not allowed.
- Daytime visitors are permitted, but overnight visitors are not permitted.
- Sleeping in cars/trucks, RVs, trailers or tents is not permitted.
- Trailers are not allowed on the Death Canyon Trailhead Road. Contact WCHP staff if you need to leave your trailer elsewhere in Moose prior to arriving at White Grass.
- Children are not permitted to stay at White Grass. However, spouses and/or significant others are permitted (space permitting). Guests must apply to WCHP for spouse/significant other lodging. Since workshop trainees/volunteers have first priority for White Grass lodging, a decision about space availability for spouses/significant others will not be made prior to fourteen days before the start of the workshop.
- Park and drive vehicles and walk on designated roads/paths only.
- Quiet time is between 9:00 pm and 6:30 am daily. Guests are expected to keep music, voices, and noise to appropriate levels at all times in respect for fellow residents and local wildlife.
- Smoking is permitted in designated areas only. Smoking is not permitted in the cabins. Following Grand Teton fire regulations, smokers may not wander outside with a lit cigarette and must extinguish and dispose of cigarettes properly.
- Outdoor fires and campfires are not permitted for any purpose. Outdoor cooking is only permitted on approved camp stoves and barbeques. All stoves and barbeques must be stored inside after use.
- Responsible consumption of alcohol is permitted at White Grass.
- National Park Service staff and the White Grass Caretaker reserve the right to enter an occupied cabin at any time for inspection/maintenance, etc. without prior notice to the guest.
- Possession of firearms at White Grass Ranch and Grand Teton National Park is subject to current law and policy on firearms as established by Congress and the National Park Service.
- The Western Center for Historic Preservation and the National Park Service are not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged personal property.
- Lodging at White Grass Ranch may be terminated at any time for willful and/or repeated violation of the general rules provided in this document.
By signing below, you are agreeing to abide by all park laws, regulations, and policies as well as the general rules of the White Grass Dude Ranch outlined in the Policies section of the White Grass Guest information document.

Signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received the following items and agree to return these upon check out:

- Bear spray
- Flashlight
- Bed/bath linens
- Cabin keys in clear pouch
- Check out procedure form

Signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________