



## News Release

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### **Forest Service seeks alternative uses for facility at Burgess Junction**

**Sheridan, Wyo.** (April 15, 2014) - The Bighorn National Forest is soliciting interest for a concessions special use permit for the operation and maintenance of the Burgess Junction Visitor Center facility on the Tongue Ranger District.

Due to declining funding sources, the Forest Service has not operated the visitor center since September 2012. The agency is looking for alternative uses for the facility through a Granger-Thye special use permit. Future uses for and services offered at the facility will be determined through responses to the forthcoming prospectus.

The visitor center, located near the junction of U.S. Highways 14 and 14A about 49 miles west of Sheridan, will remain owned by the Forest Service.

Those interested in being placed on the mailing list should respond in writing and include name, mailing address, email address, and telephone number by 4:30 p.m. Mountain Time on May 19, 2014. Responses may be sent by regular mail to Bighorn National Forest, Attention Dave McKee, 2013 Eastside 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Sheridan, WY 82801, or by email to [dfmckee@fs.fed.us](mailto:dfmckee@fs.fed.us).

Interested parties on the mailing list will be notified when the prospectus is available. The prospectus will include details about the facility, the offering, maintenance requirements, the timeline, election process, and format for submitting a proposal. A site inspection for interested parties will be conducted in mid July 2014.

For more information, contact recreation program manager Dave McKee at 307.674.2636 or natural resource specialist Travis Fack at 307.674.2683.

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