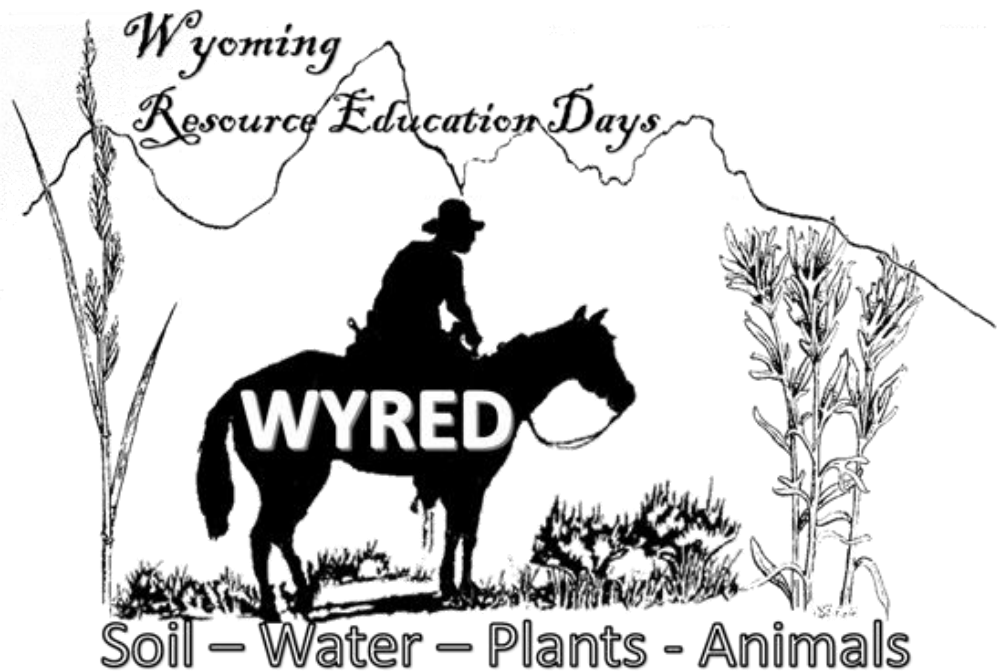




*Applications*

*Due*

**June 2, 2023**



**June 26-29**

## Wyoming (You<sup>th</sup>) Resource Education

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The Wyoming Section Society for Range Management (WY SRM), continues the traditions of WyRED at locations that provide education, relaxation and FUN! The Scott Foundation, Sheridan County Conservation District and WY SRM have teamed up to celebrate 27 years at the Bridges West Camp this June 26-29, 2023.

WY SRM held the first Range Camp in 1976 at Buffalo, WY. Range camp coined its name, WyRED-Wyoming Youth Resource Education Days, in 1993, and aside from 1995 and 2020, has occurred every year since.

Youth and Adults alike can attend the week long camp that focuses on all aspects of natural resource (range) management.

Professionals/experts volunteer from across Wyoming to teach about plant identification and anatomy, soils, wildlife and resource management, water/hydrology, and much more. The week is spent on the ground working with local ranches and resource management groups seeing conservation at work.

WyRED is hosted in a different portion of the state each year. Moving the camp provides a wide range of experiences, and exposes participants to different vegetation and resource concerns that exist across the great state of Wyoming.

2024—Central—Douglas/Casper Area

2025—SE—Cheyenne/Laramie Area

2026—SW—Evanston/Mtn View Area



June 26-29, 2023



# Bridges West— Scott Foundation

## *We Welcome You*

In the Fall of 2021, The Homer and Mildred Scott Foundation purchased a 228 acre property that had previously been utilized as a private youth reform school. The site is just over three miles from downtown Sheridan, WY with sweeping mountain vista views, incredible river frontage, multitudes of wildlife habitat and a football field, gymnasium, and several dormitories. One of the oldest registered subdivision sites in Sheridan County, the history of this location continues to unfold. It is quite a unique property that the Foundation aims to rehabilitate and make available for community access in promoting outdoor educational opportunities.

On site there are diverse prospects for activities including: dedicated agricultural and upland rangeland, a historic dairy barn, healthy

riparian habitat, stream fishing, and ample wildlife viewing opportunities.

Campers will stay in on of the renovated dormitories just feet from Big Goose Creek and with close access to rangeland.

The Homer and Mildred Scott Foundation works to strengthen the lives of people who in turn make our community a great place to live. With an emphasis on youth education and character building programming, the Bridges West property is a true asset in cultivating future leaders, valuing and stewarding the open spaces of Wyoming.



# Camp Information

**Dates:** June 26-29, 2023

**Place:** Bridges West, Sheridan, WY

**Who can attend:** Youth who have completed the 8th grade-18 years. Adults are also encouraged to attend\*. Younger children are welcome to attend the practice and contest on Wednesday and Thursday with parent supervision or chaperones.

**Registration Fees:**

**On or before June 2- \$240.00**

**After June 3 – June 20– \$275.00**

\*PTSB and UW credits may be available

**Each registrant is required to bring:**

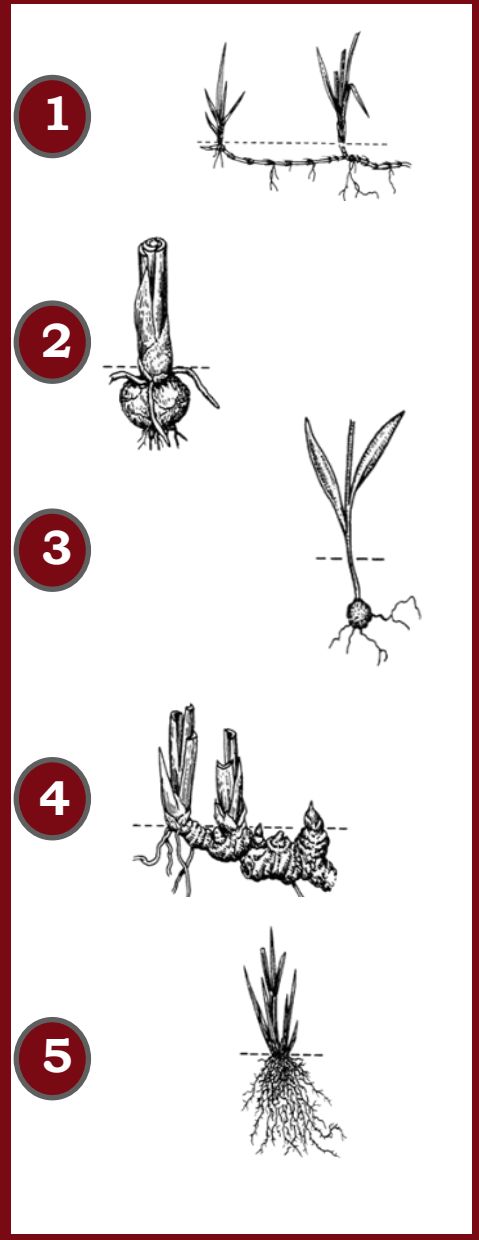
- ◇ Sleeping bags
- ◇ Pillow
- ◇ Cot and sleeping pad if you have one!
- ◇ Changes of clothing
- ◇ Personal supplies (towels, soap, shampoo, etc.)
- ◇ Rain coat
- ◇ Flashlight, knife (to cut samples)
- ◇ Water Bottle
- ◇ Backpack/Daypack
- ◇ Treats & snacks (if you want)

**Camp Rules:**

No smoking or chewing tobacco products, or alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, firearms or fireworks. Throwing objects that may cause bodily harm to another camper is strictly prohibited. Due to intense activities no pets will be allowed. Any personal vehicles will remain in designated parking areas. Camp curfew is 10:30 pm each night. Each group of campers is responsible for ensuring there is at least one adult chaperone per group for the entire duration of the camp. Respect for adult supervision is expected. All campers are to remain at camp for the duration of WyRED and may only leave when given permission by directors. If rules are violated campers will contact parents/guardians for immediate dismissal. Successful learning and camping will be achieved if all rules are followed and order maintained. These rules are in place for your protection and comply with public safety standards.



## Do You Know your roots?



# Range & Land Judging Contest



## DATES:

Practice: Wed. June 28, 2023

Contest: Thur. June 29, 2023

Registration open until:

June 20, 2023

## TIMES:

Practice: Wed. 1:00 pm–9:00 pm  
(Supper Provided)

Contest: Thurs. 8:00 am–2:00 pm  
(Lunch Provided)

## DIVISIONS: (2023 graduates are eligible if 18 yrs.)

### INDIVIDUAL

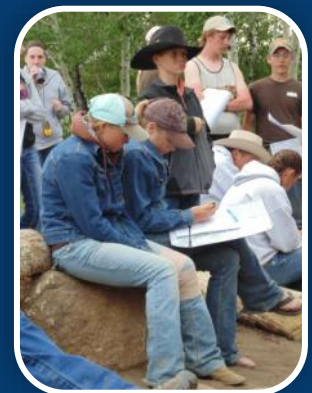
- ⇒ Brush Popper: 9 yrs.– Under
- ⇒ Range Riders: 10 yrs.–13 yrs.
- ⇒ Open Youth: 14 yrs.–18 yrs.  
(FFA, 4-H, etc.)
- ⇒ Open Adults: 19 yrs.–over  
(non-professionals)
- ⇒ Open Professionals:  
Professional range personnel

### TEAMS

- ⇒ 4-H:  
members 14-18 yrs.
- ⇒ FFA:  
members 14-18 yrs.
- ⇒ Open Youth:  
14 yrs.–18 yrs.

## Competition Rules & Guidelines:

1. Teams will consist of four members at a maximum.
2. Team points will be scored from the high three members' individual scores.
3. FFA Chapters may enter more than one team.
4. The range plant identification, site determinations, range management problem, and questions are the contest scores used to determine team scores.
5. FFA team members must be at least 14 yrs. And no more than 18 yrs. by competition date. 2023 high school graduates are eligible.
6. FFA team members must be from the same chapter.
7. 4-H team members must be from the same state.
8. Team members must be designated at the beginning of practice on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.



# WyRED 2023 Schedule—TENTATIVE

<p><u>Sunday, June 25, 2023</u> 6:00 pm Dinner (Staff) 7:00-9 pm Early Arrival 10:30 pm Camp Curfew</p>	<p><u>Tuesday, June 27, 2023</u> 7:00 am Breakfast 8:00 am In the Field— Resource Concerns: Wildlife, Rivers Plant Identification 12:30 pm Lunch 1:00 pm In the field— Resource Concerns: Invasive species Resource Improvement: Restoration 6:00 pm BBQ and Fun Activities 10:30 pm Camp Curfew</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, June 28, 2023</u> 7:00 am Breakfast 8:00 am Ranch Tour Rangeland monitoring 12:00 pm Lunch 1:00 pm Contest/Test Practice 6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm Camper Presentations 8:30 pm Range Pictionary 10:30 pm Camp Curfew</p>
<p><u>Monday, June 26, 2023</u> 11:00am Registration 12:00pm Camp Kickoff 12:30pm Taking a look: What is Range Management... 2:00 pm The Resources we Manage: Soils &amp; Plants 6:00 pm Dinner 7:30 pm Guest Speaker—Local History 10:30 pm Camp Curfew</p>		<p><u>Thursday, June 16, 2022</u> 7:00 am Breakfast/ Camp cleanup 8:00 am Contest/Final Exam 12:00 pm Lunch 1:00 pm Awards Ceremony</p>

**\*Please see camp rules and participation agreement on page 5.**

Campers are encouraged but not required to bring a plant press to store and mount collected specimens.

The press should be big enough for about 50 plant specimens.

These presses can easily be made with two pieces of plywood and several pieces of card board, each 12" x 18" and bound together with small ropes.



## Range Resources

### Websites

<https://www.wyomingrangelands.org/wyred>  
<http://www.rmh.uwyo.edu/>  
<http://uwyoextension.org/uwrange/>  
<http://www.webpages.uidaho.edu/what-is-range/quiz.htm>  
<http://idrango.org/education/lessons-activities.htm>  
<http://www.webpages.uidaho.edu/what-is-range/Tech-Clearinghouse/index.htm>

### Books

A Field Guide to Wyoming Grasses by Skinner  
 Sagebrush Country A Wildflowers Sanctuary by Taylor  
 Botany in a Day the Patterns Method of Plant Identification by Elpel  
 Plant Identification Terminology: An Illustrated Glossary by Harris & Harris  
 Rangeland Plants: Wyoming Tough by University of Wyoming B-1265

Wyoming Resource Education Days (WyRED)

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REGISTRATION FORM

Send completed registration and health forms to WyRED; c/o Mae Smith, 130 Barn Rd, Buffalo, WY 82834 or submit form online by visiting https://www.wyomingrangelands.org/wyred

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Health form must be filled out and sent in with this registration form. SEE ATTACHED FORM.

Table with 4 columns: Description, On or before June 2, 2023, After June 3 to June 20, 2023\*\*, Total. Rows include Pre-registration for WyRED camp, Pre-registration for State Range Judging Contest only, and Early arrival (Sunday, June 25, 2023).

\*NOTE: Payment and registration prior to June 20th is important, however school vouchers will be accepted at registration time.

\*\*Registration closes June 20, 2023.

If registered and need to cancel - 100% refund by June 19, 50% refund by June 23, no refund on or after June 26, 2023.

Contest Registration Section

RANGE JUDGING CONTEST DIVISIONS – indicate the division you will enter (Age as of July 1, 2023)

INDIVIDUALS (circle one)

Professional Open Adult (19 & over) Open youth (14-18) Range Riders (10-13) Brush Poppers (9 & under)

TEAMS (for youth)

4-H FFA Open Youth

Please list team name and team member names:

Jacket or shirt size (include if Youth, Ladies, or Men’s size):

**Wyoming Section Society for Range Management—WyRED Camp  
Health Form**

**Contact Information:**

Participant's Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (MI) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip code) \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT:**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**HEALTH INFORMATION:**

Does the participant have any known health concerns: (Asthma, Bronchitis, Diabetes, Fainting  
Spells, Heart Trouble, High Blood Pressure, Seizures, Others): \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Participant have any Allergies to DRUGS: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Participant have any Allergies to FOODS: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Participant have any Allergies or reactions to things in NATURE: (Bee Stings, Hay fever,  
Ivy/Sumac/Oak, Other): \_\_\_\_\_

Medications: Requires Medications (Please List all with dosages or state Does not Require):  
\_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# *WyRED 2023 Participant Agreement*

If an injury or illness develops during an activity or event, medical care will be provided and I will be notified as soon as possible. I understand that it is my responsibility to provide updates of health status, any changes in health conditions or medicinal needs prior to events in which this youth participates. I also authorize each of the following to occur: If an injury or other medical condition occurs or arises, I grant permission for medical treatment to be obtained for the youth and authorize the physician and/or the other medical staff to employ such diagnostic procedures and medical treatment as deemed necessary. - I authorize the release of any medical records necessary for treatment, referral, billing, or insurance purposes. - I give permission for this entire form to be photocopied. - I understand that I am financially responsible for any and all charges for any medical attention provided to the indicated youth. I agree that all activities and use of all facilities relating to participation in WyRED activities shall be undertaken at the sole risk of the youth/family. The WY SRM, its officers, representatives, volunteer leaders and youth shall not be liable for any claims, demands, injuries, damage, actions or causes of action, whatsoever, to me, my family, or my property arising out of or connected with participation in WyRED or the premises where the programs/events occur. I do hereby release, discharge, and hold harmless the The WY SRM, its officers, representatives, volunteer leaders and youth from all such claims, demands, injuries, damage to person or property, actions or causes of action, including but not limited to all acts of active or passive negligence on the part of the WY SRM, its officers, representatives, volunteer leaders and youth. I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions of this release and camp rules. By signing, I am also indicating this was done freely and without inducement.

Signatures:

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# Sheridan County Conservation District

Sheridan is on the eastern slope of the Bighorn mountains in northern Wyoming. The average precipitation is 15-19" and the month with the highest rainfall is May. Sheridan County is very diverse ranging from the top of the Bighorn mountains on the western side to the Powder River basin on the eastern side.

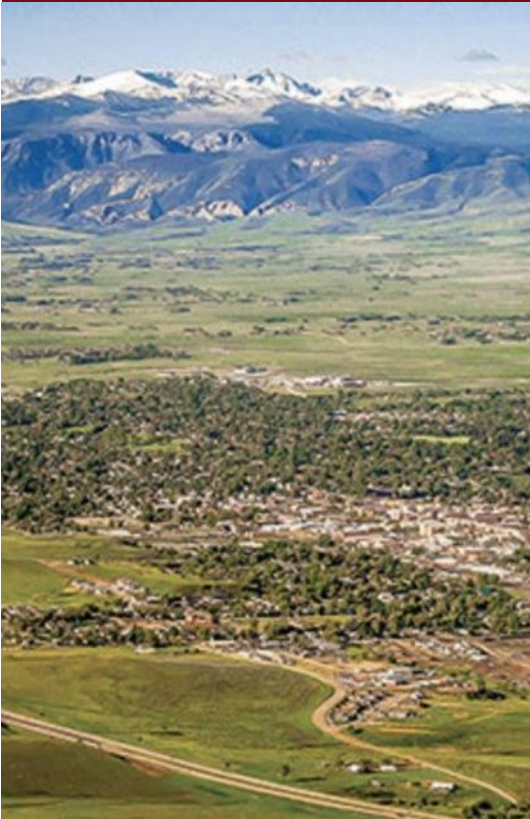
Sheridan County has a rich history of Native Americans, pioneers, coal mines, dude ranches, polo horses, ranching and tourism.

Sheridan County Conservation District's function is to focus and coordinate technical, educational, and financial resources to meet the needs of the local land user. One of the ways in which Districts accomplish this is through a unique partnership with the NRCS. The Conservation District coordinates the activities of the NRCS, along with other agencies and groups, in ways that will fit local needs.

In a survey conducted by the SCCD in 2001, over 60% of the respondents ranked water resource concerns in the top five. As a result, SCCD spends a large amount of time on these issues. The Tongue River and Goose Creek watershed efforts have identified water quality concerns on the watersheds and provided means for making improvements. SCCD facilitates local watershed planning efforts and administers a local cost-share assistance program for improvements to Animal Feeding Operations and septic systems, as well as work on streambank/channel restoration projects.

While the major part of the local program in Sheridan County consists of providing technical and financial assistance for water resource improvement projects, the SCCD/NRCS partnership recognizes that natural resource education is a necessary component of any conservation program.

Sheridan County Conservation District plays a vital role in facilitating projects that improve the natural resources of the county.



# WY SRM



The Society for Range Management (SRM) was founded in 1948 as an international society. As the parent society grew, states started to develop local “chapters”. In 1973, Wyoming formed an official corporation/non-profit organization recognized as Wyoming Section, Society for Range Management. The Society as a whole is a professional organization composed of individuals with common interest in the study, management and rational use of rangeland and related ecosystems. The Society’s objectives are:

- ◇ to properly take care of the basic rangeland resources of soil, plants and water;
- ◇ to develop an understanding of range ecosystems and of the principles applicable to the management of range resources;
- ◇ to assist all who work with range resources to keep abreast of new findings and techniques in the science and art of range management;
- ◇ to improve the effectiveness of range management to obtain from range resources to products and values necessary for man’s welfare
- ◇ to create a public appreciation of economic and social benefits to be obtained from the range environment;
- ◇ to promote professional development of its members.

## WY SRM OFFICERS



Will Rose  
President



Jason Pindell  
Pres. Elect., Wyred Committee

## WYRED COMMITTEE



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