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### Have You Completed Your AC5 Medical Form

A special medical form has been designed for the ArrowCorps5 event. This special medical form incorporates the information from the standard Class 3 medical form and asks for additional information that is specific to the activities and environments of ArrowCorps5.

If you have already had your doctor sign a Class 3 medical form, that is OK. You can simply fill out the additional sections of the AC5 specific form, sign it and include your signed Class 3 form. If you have not yet visited your doctor, you should take the AC5 specific medical form with you and have your doctor sign that form. You should then complete the additional sections and sign the form.

The AC5 medical form is available for download from the AC5 national web site (<http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/arrowcorps5/medicalform.pdf>). If you have trouble downloading the form, send an e-mail to [oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com](mailto:oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com) to request that the PDF file be e-mailed to you.

# GOOSEWING



**Basecamp elevation -7,200 feet...**

**Worksite elevation -8,000 feet...**

**Beautiful view -endless.**

**Do you have what it takes to tackle the challenges of Goosewing? Arguably the most beautiful worksite in all of ArrowCorps<sup>5</sup>, the Goosewing project is demanding, meaningful and will be gratifying to all involved.**

**Biologists erected the Goosewing fence in the 1960s to study the effect of wildlife on the national forest grassland. The fence prevented wildlife from intruding on a large area for agriculture study. That study is now long over and the fence is hindering the migration of elk and deer within the forest. Under expert leadership, and with the assistance of the U.S. Forrest Service, participants will work in independent crews to remove the eight-foot high fence that snakes around almost three miles of rugged terrain and once again open the area to wildlife migration.**

**The Goosewing project site will offer participants an amazing and rewarding service experience with grand mountain views, meaningful work, and the opportunity to grow in service and brotherhood.**

# What You Need to Know About Registration for Bridger-Teton

## Official Contact for the ArrowCorps5 Bridger-Teton Project:

The Registration Director for the Bridger-Teton ArrowCorps5 site is Joe Glenski. Please contact him with any registration issues, questions, or concerns. The best way to contact Joe is by e-mail at [glenski@cray.com](mailto:glenski@cray.com).

## Important "Form C" information:

The Arrowcorps5 Participant Agreement and Information Form ("Form C") became available on the national OA website ([www.oa-bsa.org](http://www.oa-bsa.org)) in early February. If you have not already done so, Contingent Coordinators should distribute a copy of Form C to each participant coming to ArrowCorps5. This form provides the details on each participant, including which recreation options they prefer. A Form C must be completed and signed by each participant (and their parent/guardian if the participant is under 18). Once completed, Contingent Coordinators should gather copies of Form C from their participants, obtain Scout Executive approval, and send the forms to the national OA office. **All Form C's are due at the national OA office by May 1.**

## Participant fee information:

The AC5 participant fee is **\$250** for all fees **paid by May 1st**. Please check with your council to ensure they are ready to send in your remaining payments on time. Be sure to include your Transmittal Form with your check to avoid problems.

## Bridger-Teton is Full:

The Bridger-Teton site is filled, with over 750 paid participant deposits, and about 250 approved staff. If for some reason your council will not be using all the spots you have paid deposits for, please ask your staff adviser to let the national OA office know.

## Arrival Date and Location:

All participants are scheduled to arrive at Bridger-Teton on Saturday, July 26th. Participants will check in at our Base location at the Jackson Hole High School, in Jackson, WY. Please plan to arrive between 9:00am and 5:00pm on July 26th.

## Departure Date and Time:

All participants will be departing on Saturday, August 2. The last meal provided will be a Philmont trail breakfast. Participants need to depart before 11:00am.

# Bridger-Teton Health and Safety Plan:

## Why do we need one?

In life, as in Scouting, if you fail to plan, you plan to fail. When it comes to a project as large and complex as what are planning at Bridger-Teton, planning begins months and even years before the event happens. Having a health and safety plan (or HASP) is critical. With 1,000 volunteers expected to be on site at Bridger-Teton, plans are well underway to assure the site, job assignments, tools, lodging and transportation all have safety and your good health in mind.

Many of us attended the conservation training during the National Conservation and Leadership Summit (NCLS) held in Indiana in 2007. During this training, we experienced trail work with a crew and were able to observe many of the hazards we'll likely encounter during our time in the Bridger-Teton National Forest. Shortly after the NCLS, the key leadership for ArrowCorps5 started reviewing Philmont and other high adventure health & safety standards. Using these documents as a guideline and working closely with the National Forest Service personnel, we have created a Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) for each Bridger-Teton project task. This analysis will guide the BT staff and participants to work in a manner that lowers the risk of injuries.

Each staff member and participant will be made familiar with the guidelines set forth in the JHA when they arrive on site. The JHA outlines just a few of the critical steps in the overall Health & Safety Plan. Safety is everyone's responsibility so, start thinking now about how you will stay safe while in the National Forest. When you arrive on site in July, be ready to learn and contribute to everyone's safety. We are taking serious steps to insure that the BT project site is ready for each of you to work, play and be safe during this incredible service project.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

This month, we bring you another set of the most frequently asked questions about the Bridger-Teton ArrowCorp<sup>5</sup> project. If you have a question that has not been answered, please e-mail us at [oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com](mailto:oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com) and we'll get you an answer. If you have a question, we're sure someone else has the same question. Who knows, your question might find its way here to the FAQ page!

**Q: What kind of footwear do I need for the Bridger-Teton projects?**

**A: Each staff member and participant needs to have work boots, hiking boots, or sturdy shoes that protect above the ankle.**

**Q: The AC5 medical form asks if I have been immunized for hepatitis A and B. Do I need these immunizations?**

**A: No. The medical form is simply asking if you have had these immunizations. They are not required for participation in ArrowCorps5.**

**Q: What will the toilet facilities be like at the Bridger-Teton project sites?**

**A: Portable toilets will be at each of the camping locations and project sites. Cat holes may be necessary while working on the Teton Pass project. More information and directions will be provided during your training and orientation.**

**Q: Can I leave camp during the day or at night with a buddy?**

**A: No. Participants and staff must remain at the camp with their contingents for the duration of ArrowCorps5. There will be activities scheduled for participants and staff in the evening after returning to camp after working on the trail.**

**Q: Will there be a trading post on site at Bridger-Teton?**

**A: Yes. The items will be limited to Bridger-Teton project specific items. The full trading post list of items for AC5 will be available for pre-order on the OA website. (<http://tradingpost.oa-bsa.org>). Items will be shipped to you prior to AC5. Due to lack of phone service and limited power, the trading post will only accept CASH or CHECK – NO CREDIT CARDS. There is not an ATM on site.**

Watch your inbox each month for a new issue of the *TOTALLY TETONS TRIBUNE*. In future issues, we will continue to make sure you get the information you need. If you have burning questions and you need an answer sooner, you can check the official ArrowCorp<sup>5</sup> Bridger-Teton web site link on the National Order of the Arrow web site at [www.oa-bsa.org](http://www.oa-bsa.org).

If you need to contact one of the ArrowCorp<sup>5</sup> Bridger-Teton Key Staff, please use the e-mail addresses below. You can also submit questions to the official e-mail address for our project at [oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com](mailto:oa.bridgertetons@gmail.com).



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