



**2007 R1 Wilderness Rendezvous
July 8-10: Fenn Ranger Station
Nez Perce National Forest**

Accommodations: Johnson Bar campground - car camping with primitive facilities. Non-camping accommodation is available at Three Rivers Motel (5 miles away).

Sunday, July 8: Registration from 3pm until 6 pm at the Visitor Center. After registration, participants select campsites and early arrivals will have time for a self-guided tour of the area by driving, hiking, biking, floating, or casting along the Selway River. Introductory session and dinner at the cookhouse from 6pm to 7:30pm. Chris Ryan welcomes everyone to the Rendezvous. After dinner: evening session to be determined.

Monday, July 9: How Wilderness Character has changed through the generations – from American Indians, to pioneering mountain-men, to the early Forest Service and homesteaders - with the history and tradition of the Selway-Bitterroot landscape (pre Wilderness designation) as a case study; and a traditional skills workshop.

7:00 Breakfast at the cookhouse

Session facilitator: Anthony Botello

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Planned Presenter</u>
8:00- 8:15	Welcome to Moose Creek Ranger District	Joe Hudson, District Ranger
8:15-8:45	Welcome to the Selway Bitterroot Wilderness - Visual tour of the SBW	SBW Wilderness Rangers and River Rangers
	<i>Break</i>	
9:00 – 11:00	The Selway-Bitterroot History: the Nimiipuu, European Development – early settlers, pioneers, Forest Service and homesteaders	Steve Lucas, NPNF Forest Archeologist; additional speakers to be determined
11:00-11:30	History of the Moose Creek Ranger District: Walking tour of the Fenn Ranger Station	Cindy Schacher, NPNF Archeologist

11:30 – 12:30 Lunch at the Cookhouse

Afternoon: Traditional Skills Workshop

Session facilitator: Charlie Mabbot

12:30-4:30	Rotating Stations: format to be determined, but likely to include: proper ax swinging technique; cross cut saw skills, stock use/awareness (manting/loading), leverage/moving big rocks, etc.	Charlie Mabbot, Ian Barlow, and others
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Late afternoon/evening: fun time on the river – beach or boating, bring your own gear. Dinner at the cookhouse. Evening program with bonfire at Johnson Bar with stories around the campfire with Bud Moore, the day’s speakers, plus local Wilderness celebrities.

Tuesday, July 10: Contemporary Wilderness Management, with issues in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness as examples; and a contemporary Wilderness Ranger skills workshop.

7:00 Breakfast at the cookhouse

Session facilitator: Deb Gale

8:00-8:15	Welcome to the Nez Perce NF	Jane Cottrell, Forest Supervisor
8:15-8:45	Revisiting the Wilderness Act: Review of the Wilderness Act and its contributing conservation heroes	Chris Ryan
8:45-9:15	Update from Washington or the Region	Chris Ryan and others
9:15-9:30	Wilderness in R1: overview powerpoint	Chris Ryan, RO
9:30-10:00	The Rivers’ Programs: Selway and Lochsa	Barry Miller, River Ranger, and Heather Berg, Wild & Scenic Rivers Manager
	<i>Break</i>	
10:00-10:30	Partners in Wilderness: panel discussion	SBFoundation, MCC, Wilderness Institute, National Smokejumpers

		Assoc., BCH
10:30-11:00	Wolves in the SBW: current management	Michael Lucid, ID Fish & Game
11:00-12:00	Contemporary Wilderness Management Issues, SBW examples: panel discussion/Q&A	
	Seminole Ranch: The years ahead	Joe Hudson, District Ranger, Moose Creek District
	Weeds and the SBW Weeds EIS	Chad Benson, District Ranger, Powell Districts
	Fire Use	Dave Campbell, District Ranger, West Fork District
	Wilderness Dams: Explanation/update	Dan Ritter, District Ranger, Stevensville District

12:00-1:00 Lunch at the Cookhouse

Afternoon: Contemporary Skills Workshops

Session facilitator: Katie Knotek

1:00-4:00		
	Education and Outreach: SBW Junior Ranger Program; Geocaching	Kearstin Edwards, Powell District; Bill Goslin, Stevi District
	Visitor Contact and Backcountry Safety	Lucinda Jann; A-P Wilderness; Tom Carlson, Arthur Carhart Center
	Fire Resource Advisor	Marty Almquist, Darby District (or Suzanne Cable)
4:00-5:00	Closing Session: Howard Zahnizer letter	Chris Ryan

Afternoon/Evening – dinner and fun on the river for those staying for the LNT workshop; others can stay and camp or depart for home

Wednesday, July 11-12: LNT Trainer training and certification, coordinated by Kearstin Edwards, instructed by R1 LNT Masters.