

Mills Spring Ranch Open Team

Information Packet

Location: Casper, Wyoming, USA

Project Dates: July 24 – August 8, 2017



Thank you for your interest in the Mills Spring Ranch Open Team project, one of our many efforts based in North America. Each year, Maranatha works with organizations in the United States and Canada to provide volunteer labor for various construction or renovation projects. Typically, these North America projects provide lodging and meals to participants.

Project Overview

Mills Spring Ranch is owned and operated by the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. The camp is located on top of beautiful Casper Mountain. With approximately 200 acres of wilderness forest and meadows adjacent to the camp, there is plenty of room to explore. On this project, volunteers are needed to help with camp renovations. Tasks include carpentry, plumbing, painting, and general maintenance.

Accommodations

There is space for 35 volunteers on this project. Preference may be given to those that are able to stay for the entire project. Volunteers who request housing will stay in cabins. There are also 26 RV sites, with electric hookups only, available to those wishing to bring their RV.

Expenses

The only costs to volunteers are the travel expenses to and from Mills Spring Ranch. Three meals a day, accident insurance, and housing are free in exchange for your volunteer labor.

Leadership

Project Coordinator: Betty Beattie

Construction Superintendent: David Schwinn

Local Contact: Matt Moreland, Youth Camp Director

Project Schedule

Monday, July 24
Arrival at Mills Spring Ranch

Tuesday - Friday, July 25 - 28
Orientation and Work Days

Saturday, July 29
Sabbath

Sunday-Friday, July 30 - Aug 4
Work Days

Saturday, August 5
Sabbath

Sunday - Tuesday, Aug 6 - 7
Work Days

Wednesday, Aug 8
Departure from Mills Spring Ranch

About Casper Wyoming

Attractions

Casper Mountain | Described as “the mountain town for the wild at heart,” there is lots to experience in this unique landscape. You can go hiking, mountain biking, boating, or fly fishing. You can also take scenic drives to Freemont Canyon and even to Yellowstone National Park, located about six hours away.

Volunteers may choose to arrive early or leave a few days after the project concludes to appreciate local sights. Volunteers are responsible for making any plans outside the actual project dates. This includes food and housing arrangements.

Weather

In July and August, average temperatures for Casper are in the mid 50’s to high 80’s Fahrenheit, but plan for just about any type of weather. Of course, weather conditions can change at any time, so we recommend that you check the 10-day forecast before leaving to ensure that you are prepared for the most current weather conditions.

Travel Information

Flights

If you are flying to the project, the closest airport is Casper Natrona County International Airport (C/NCIA), a 20-minute drive from Mills Springs Ranch Camp. Please send your itinerary to volunteer@maranatha.org so pick up arrangements can be made.

Project Address:

**8000 Tower Hill Rd
Casper, WY 82601**

Safety

Maranatha has a very high safety record on the worksite. This is, in part, because we require everyone on the construction site to wear a hard hat and gloves at all times. Please also wear appropriate safety equipment for the work tasks and wear sturdy shoes. Exercise caution while working on the construction site and be careful when working on or around ladders or scaffolding.

Thank you for putting safety first!

AIG World Wide Insurance Coverage

All volunteers will be covered by accident insurance from the time they arrive at the project until their departure. This is a secondary policy, which means all claims will first be processed through your primary policy.

This secondary policy does not have a deductible for medical charges.

Maximum Benefits:

Accidental death or dismemberment	\$75,000
Medical/dental expenses	\$100,000
Medical evacuation	\$250,000
Repatriation (in the event of a death)	\$25,000

Purchasing Maranatha Insurance

Maranatha mission projects are construction projects where people can get hurt. Accident insurance is essential. It is not possible for Maranatha to analyze everyone’s policy to see whether his or her insurance is current and the coverage is in effect at the location of the mission project. The Maranatha Board of Directors decided that the safest route was to require everyone to purchase the secondary coverage that we carry. The cost of this coverage is provided free of charge to Maranatha volunteers on North American Projects.

Skills and Packing List

Skills

Everyone is welcome to participate in a Maranatha project! However, skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing | <input type="checkbox"/> Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete work | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical work | <input type="checkbox"/> General construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Framing and dry walling | <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Window installment | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping |

Items to Bring

Tool List

The following is a list of tools that will be helpful on this project. Please mark your name on whatever items you bring to the construction site. When borrowing tools from other volunteers, please be considerate and return everything you use.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nail apron | <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk line |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure | <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife | <input type="checkbox"/> Handsaw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill-small hand (3/8" or 1/4") |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square | <input type="checkbox"/> Step ladder (6-8') |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing hatchet | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock T-square | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock hole saw | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric cord |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock hammer | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Screw guns for sheet rock application | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hardiplank sidings tools | |

**Required*

General Packing List

This list is not comprehensive of everything you may need. However, these are the items that have been most helpful to volunteers on these types of projects.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Good disposition and flexible attitude | <input type="checkbox"/> Light Jacket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work pants and shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Flip flops or sandals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat and gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Dress clothes for Sabbath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses or safety glasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal toiletries and sunblock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good, closed-toe working shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID and personal insurance information | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of this packet with Maranatha insurance information and project addresses | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: twin sheet, blanket, or sleeping bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal prescribed medication and any over the counter medication you use regularly | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: air mattress, foam pad, cot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual shirts, pants, and shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel and washcloth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underclothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Small pillow |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Small alarm clock |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Earplugs |

Registration

To register, please complete the online application or call to register over the phone. A total of 35 volunteers can be accommodated on this project. Please wait for confirmation from Maranatha before making travel plans.

Contact Information

Phone: (916) 774-7700

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Email: volunteer@maranatha.org

Mail:

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HARD HAT \$11



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WATER BOTTLE \$15



The autospout water bottle by Contigo features a one-touch-button spout for convenient one-handed drinking. It also has a spout shield to protect the spout from debris and dirt when not in use—perfect for the project site.

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*All confirmed volunteers on an International Maranatha Open Team receive a Maranatha t-shirt as part of their participation fee.

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