

Pheasant and quail hunts open Nov. 3

New program opens 50,000 acres of private land in northern Utah

Hot, dry weather reduced the number of pheasant and quail chicks that hatched in much of Utah this year.

Photo courtesy of Scott Root



Mix in development along the Wasatch Front, and farming practices across Utah that are different from the hey-day of pheasant hunting in the state, and it looks like this season will be fair at best.

But that's not expected to keep almost 16,000 hunters from participating in one of Utah's most popular upland game hunts. And for those who find areas with good habitat, the thrill of ring-necked rooster pheasants exploding out of the brush under their feet is something they'll still experience this fall.

Utah's pheasant and quail seasons open Nov. 3.

Walk-In Access program



A good place to look for ring-necked pheasants is northern Utah. More than 50,000 acres of private land in northern Utah is now open to sportsmen through the Division of Wildlife Resource's [Walk-In Access program](#) at

<http://www.wildlife.utah.gov/walkinaccess/>

Pheasant hunting preview

The following are pheasant hunting prospects for each of the DWR's five regions:

Northern Region

Cache and Rich counties: Pheasant populations appear stable and very similar to last year.

Box Elder County: The dry spring resulted in reduced pheasant production, but healthy, isolated pockets of pheasants are still found throughout the county.

Waterfowl Management Areas: DWR personnel at the Farmington Bay, Ogden Bay and Salt Creek waterfowl management areas report pheasant brood sizes and the number of broods are down from 2006. Upland habitat conditions across most of these areas are stressed because of the dry summer. The marsh vegetation is in good condition, however. Pheasant hunters should expect to find success similar to what they found last year, but not as good as the success found in 2004 and 2005.

Central Region



Pheasant populations are similar to last year in the southern part of the region. Agricultural lands and marsh areas around Utah Lake and the Great Salt Lake harbor some birds. Please remember that written permission is required to hunt agricultural lands. Limited public hunting is available on the Utah Lake Wetland Preserve and the Powell Slough Wildlife Management

Area.

In the West Desert, pheasant hunting is marginal at best. Agricultural lands in the area do harbor some birds. There is also limited public hunting on the Walt Fitzgerald and Carr Fork wildlife management areas.

Northeastern Region

Pheasant populations remain low and spotty throughout the region's agricultural areas.

Southeastern Region

Populations are significantly lower than past years. Small grain production is almost non-existent in the region, and the farming practices don't favor pheasant populations. Hunting will be poor.

Southern Region

A fair number of pheasants are available on the DWR's wildlife management areas. Several broods were seen near Clear Lake and Redmond this summer. A few pheasant broods were also seen in the Millard and Sevier county areas.

Quail hunting preview

The following are quail hunting prospects for Utah:

Central Region

Most of the quail habitat in the Central Region is along the Wasatch Front where hunting is very limited, if not restricted all together. Caution should be used when hunting in the foothills above the housing areas—please take note where city limit boundaries are to avoid illegal shooting. The quail populations are stable, and hunters should find as many birds as last year.



Northeastern Region

Although limited in distribution, California quail populations are in good shape throughout the brushy areas associated with agricultural fields.

Southeastern Region

Small populations can be found along riparian (streamside) areas in Emery and Carbon counties. Hunting will be slow.

Southern Region

Several quail broods have been observed in areas in Millard County, but not as many as in past years. Some birds have also been observed on DWR wildlife management areas in Sevier County. Quail populations on the Beaver Dam Slope in southwestern Utah have had poor to no recruitment. Some adults have been observed, but populations appear to be down significantly in the area. This can be attributed to a combination of fires in 2006 and a dry spring.

For more information, call the nearest Division of Wildlife Resources office or the DWR's Salt Lake City office at (801) 538-4700.

FALL GOLF, ACCESS AT WASATCH MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

Midway -- The Silver and Lake golf courses at Wasatch Mountain State Park remain open for play until weather forces closure. Course professionals say it's a great time to get in a last round of 18 holes and enjoy the spectacular fall colors.

Both the Mountain and Gold golf courses and all campgrounds at Wasatch Mountain State Park are now closed for the season. As snow accumulates, Wasatch Mountain golf courses will open for cross-country skiing, with ski rentals available at the park.

For current conditions or to schedule a tee time, please call (435) 654-0532 or (435) 654-7442.

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MONTE CRISTO SNOWMOBILE PARKING PASSES AVAILABLE

Willard - Season parking passes for the Monte Cristo Snowmobile Trailhead are now available for \$50. Customers purchasing passes before December 31 receive a \$10 discount.

To purchase by mail, please send a cashier's check or money order to Willard Bay State Park at 900 West 650 North, Willard, UT 84340. To purchase by phone with a Visa, MasterCard, or American Express, please call (435) 734-9494.



Passes may also be purchased at Willard Bay State Park and at the trailhead when grooming begins.

Funds derived from pass sales are used at the trailhead for maintenance of the parking lot and restroom facilities. This year, funds were used to place and grade 400 tons of rock and road base.

WITNESS THE GHOSTS OF CAMP FLOYD

Fairfield - Experience a paranormal investigation of Camp Floyd / Stagecoach Inn State Park Museum Friday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own tape recorders, film, digital and infrared cameras.

Events continue Saturday, October 27 at 11 a.m. when participants are invited back to the park to share their findings. Park staff present the results of two previous paranormal investigations conducted during the past year. Visitors have the opportunity to hear recordings, and view photographs and other paranormal evidence.

Camp Floyd staff will assist participants in the use of equipment in finding paranormal orbs, mists, and sounds.



A food concession and candy cannon for children are available after the program Saturday. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call (801) 768-8932.

Camp Floyd / Stagecoach Inn State Park Museum is located in the town of Fairfield, 20 miles southwest of Lehi on State Route 73. For more information, please call

(801) 768-8932.

JOIN THE IRON MISSION HANDCART COMPANY

Cedar City - Join Iron Mission State Park Museum staff for living history adventures settling the untamed lands of the Iron County region. Six families are needed, three to leave Saturday, November 10 at 9 a.m., and three to depart on the same day at 1 p.m. Space is limited. Cost is \$20 per family and covers all

supplies.

This living history experience is part of Iron Mission Days, which celebrates the founding of Cedar City. For more information or to register, please call (435) 586-9290.

UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

October 25 Edge of the Cedars State Park - Blanding

An Hour Well Spent - Blanding Chamber's Fireside Series continues with another excellent presentation by distinguished community member Melissa Cave. The focus of her present work is the community of Westwater Canyon. The program is free, however, donations are appreciated. (435) 678-2238

October 27 Fremont Indian State Park and Museum - Sevier

Scary Story Trail: Don't be afraid of the ghosts and goblins here. Children 12 and under can play games, hear scary stories, and take home lots of candy. Event begins at 5 p.m. (435) 527-4631

October 27 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

Historical Tours of Huber Grove: Interpretive Naturalist Donna Packard gives tours between 10 a.m. and noon at the Huber Grove. Visit this peaceful area and learn about the truly unique Swiss style buildings and grounds. Huber Grove is located approximately one mile past the Wasatch Mountain Visitor Center on Snake Creek Road. (435) 654-1791

October 27 Dead Horse Point State Park - Moab

Raven: Beauties or Campsite Pests? Join the park naturalist at the visitor center amphitheater at 6 p.m. to learn about these fascinating birds. Children who attend may earn a Junior Ranger badge. (435) 259-2614

Northeastern Region Fishing Report

Warning: Whirling Disease was found in the Northeastern Region on both the north and south slope of the Uinta Mountains. It is believed anglers are now the main source of movement of the parasite that causes Whirling Disease. To avoid spreading the disease, do not move fish or fish parts from one water to another. Clean the fish well away from the water and dispose of the unwanted parts in the garbage. If that's not possible then bury it in a deep hole or burn it completely. One infected fish carcass can contain over a million spores. Also, make sure to clean,

dry and sterilize waders, live wells and other fishing gear before venturing to another water or above a diversion (such as a small dam) which are being built to stop the movement of infected fish.

BIG SAND WASH RESERVOIR: Anglers report good fishing for rainbow trout. Most angling is being done by boat as West side access was eliminated by the reconstruction of the dam. A new access site is being negotiated. Try fishing top water flies and lures or a floating bait to clear the submerged vegetation and boulders. Catchable-sized fish and fingerlings have been stocked to provide immediate and long-term fisheries.

BULLOCK / COTTONWOOD RESERVOIRS: Cottonwood was drained to work on the outlet. A few reports are of fair fishing for bass and rainbows and a few tiger musky being taken. Remember tiger musky have a size limit—all fish under 40 inches must be released immediately. Use of heavy tackle and a steel leader to protect your line is advised for those fishing for tiger musky. Small boats can be launched from undeveloped sites near the dams when the water level is high but with the present levels it's questionable. Reservoirs are located approximately five miles north of the town of Gusher.

BROUGH RESERVOIR: Reports are of good fishing for a mix of large browns and rainbows. Most anglers fish from the bank or portable boats as there is no boat ramp or even a good place to launch due to the mud. The reservoir is managed under trophy catch and release regulations—please read proclamation. Note: use of heavier tackle to bring the fish in quickly and keeping the fish completely underwater when handling greatly increases odds of survival, especially important in hot temperatures. To get to Brough, take State Route 88 south from US Route 40 (Ouray Road). Turn west at the second dirt road past the high power lines. Follow this road approximately two miles staying to the left at each main fork. Road can be quite rutted.

BROWNIE / SHEEP CREEK / SPIRIT LAKE: Last reports are good fishing for brook and rainbow trout with a few cutthroat also being taken. Area was receiving good storms so access is questionable. Note: bears have been reported passing through this area so be aware and keep a clean camp. Warning: whirling disease was found in this area. Please do not clean fish or dump fish parts taken from one lake or stream to another. Also make sure to clean, dry and sterilize waders, live wells and other fishing gear before venturing to another water, as this will also move whirling disease.

CALDER / CROUSE RESERVOIRS: Most reports are of good fishing. Some larger fish have been taken from both reservoirs. The new "trophy " regulation (flies and lures only, no baits) for Calder began January 1, 2007. Please read the proclamation for details on the new regulations.

CURRENT CREEK RESERVOIR: We've been receiving reports of fair to good fishing from anglers. Cooler weather has brought the fish back up towards the surface. Last reports were that roads are open and in good condition, but that was prior to this weekend's storm so access may be questionable. Please check with the ranger station at Strawberry.

EAST PARK / OAKS PARK: Reports of fair to good fishing on both lakes. Oaks Park has more water than usual due to work on its pipeline, while East Park is quite low—below the boat ramp. Anglers are also reporting good fishing on the streams in the area. Note: the entire Red Cloud Loop road system is open, it was partially closed earlier this summer due to fires in surrounding areas. Recent snows may make travel difficult.

FLAMING GORGE RESERVOIR: Launching boats is possible on all ramps. Current surface water temperatures are 54 to 57 degrees and dropping.

Lake Trout Fishing: Good to excellent fishing for small lake trout on most areas of the reservoir. Fish are in traditional areas on underwater humps and points. Fishing for smaller lake trout (less than eight pounds.) from Big Bend south in 70 to 100 feet was fair to good. The canyon area in Utah was producing limits of fish with very fast catch rates. Use downriggers to troll spoons and minnow plugs within 10 to 20 feet of the bottom or look for suspended fish 70 to 90 feet. Good colors for spoons and plugs include chartreuse, orange and white. If fish are concentrated try jigging. Good jig colors are white, brown and chartreuse. Try tipping jigs with a small chunk of sucker meat if you can see them on your graph but can't get them to bite with a plain jig.

If you are seeing fish near structure in 100 plus feet, these will probably be lake trout. Use no stretch line to feel strikes and set the hook better. Unlike their larger relatives, the smaller lake trout are excellent table fare with orange flesh and taste as good or better than a rainbow when cooked up on the grill. There's an overabundance of lake trout under 28 inches in the Gorge so do your part to help the fishery and keep a limit of eight fish. Reports of fair fishing for larger lake trout. Larger fish will begin to spawn soon so they will be difficult to catch until mid-November. For larger lake trout, try trolling plugs on downriggers, steel or

lead core in Jarvies, Sheep Creek, Linwood, Stateline, Antelope flat, Anvil Draw. Also jigging with three- to 10-inch jigs can work well. Big lake trout eat big food so lures and jigs can be big also. Remember, only one fish over 28 inches can be kept.

Kokanee Fishing: All kokanee caught from Sept. 10 to Nov. 30 must be immediately released to protect spawning fish. Kokanee can still be caught and released.

Rainbow Fishing: Good fishing for rainbows on most of the reservoir. If fishing from a boat, try trolling spoons or rapalas with downriggers or try long-lining with at least 100 feet of line behind boat. The majority of fish seem to be in 30 to 50 feet but fishing in shallower water now will be good with cooler water temperatures. Most colors of spoons and minnow lures will work but go with lures in the one- to two-inch size. If fishing on bottom, try a worm and marshmallow combo to keep the bait slightly off the bottom. Casting spoons, spinners or smaller crankbaits from shore also works well. In the Utah portion, Sheep Creek, Jarvies, Linwood Bay, Mustang Ridge and off the dam visitor center are all good locations to catch rainbows from shore. Rainbow fishing will continue to get better as fall progresses and they will become more accessible to shore anglers.

Burbot Fishing: Try fishing with jigs late in the afternoon, early morning or at night on points coming into reservoir. These fish move in and out from deep waters so adjust your location accordingly. Anglers are reporting that they are catching burbot in 100 plus feet of water during the day and shallower during the evening. These fish must be harvested if caught in Utah to help control their population as they were illegally introduced to the upper Green River drainage and could have a major impact on other fish species. They are an excellent eating fish with white, flaky flesh that is similar to a perch. They can be breaded and fried or boiled and dipped in melted butter. Most of these fish are concentrated in the Wyoming portion of the reservoir but are being caught in the Antelope Falt/Linwood areas in smaller numbers.

Smallmouth Bass Fishing: Smallmouth fishing is fair to good as fish have moved into shallower water. Use twist tail grubs on lead head jigs or small plastic worms, sinkos, twitch and crankbaits in about 5 to 30 feet of water off rocky shorelines and points. Crayfish imitation colors will work the best. Drop shot techniques will also work. Top water presentations can work early in the morning and later in the afternoon. Smaller fish are close to shore and can be a good way for kids to catch fish.

GREEN RIVER: (upper) The flows on the river are currently 800 cfs. Due to low inflows into the reservoir in 2007, flows should remain steady at 800 cfs throughout the winter to conserve water. Visit the [Bureau of Reclamation Web site](#) for the latest information on flows.

Good fishing on the river. The traffic on the river has dropped and fishing success has increased. Dry flies are still working in numerous patterns but have slowed. Nymphs almost always work so shift to these presentations if you are unable to connect on the surface. Please remember the slot limit size range has changed from 13 to 20 inches to 15 to 22 inches to make regulations more consistent statewide. Visit www.fishgreenriver.com for the latest fly patterns.

Brown Trout spawn in the fall so be aware of spawning redds when wading. Fishing will continue to improve through the fall and use on the river will continue to drop. The upcoming months are some of the best for avoiding crowds and enjoying nice weather. Spin fishermen should try small rapalas (floating, countdown and husky jerk); small spinners; black, brown or olive marabou jigs; and small jigs. Please check to see that your tube jigs contain no fish-attracting scents as they are illegal to use in the river. New Zealand Mudsail densities have dramatically increased in several localized areas near Little Hole, and have been documented in most areas of the river. Please thoroughly clean mud and vegetation from waders, boats and fishing gear; and if possible, completely dry equipment before leaving the area. A hot water bath (120° F) will kill mudsnails, and spraying equipment with 409 or a similar soap solution before drying will increase effectiveness.



GREEN RIVER: (lower) No new reports from anglers. Should be fair to good fishing for catfish, carp and other fish.

MATT WARNER RESERVOIR: Anglers reported good fishing for three age classes of fish. Roads were dry and easily accessible from both Highway 191 and Diamond Mountain Road. Weed/algae problems beginning to subside as weather cools. Water level is holding up well considering the drought.

MOON LAKE: Reports of fair to good fishing for several species. The lake contains a variety of trout and kokanee. Anglers reporting catching fish from both the shore and boats.

PELICAN LAKE: Anglers are reporting fair to good fishing for bass and bluegill. Cooler weather will create slower fishing as fall progresses.

RED FLEET RESERVOIR: Recent reports indicate good fishing for rainbows with an occasional brown trout. Bass and bluegill fishing was slowing with some good fishing at times. Try fishing the shoreline areas with the most cover such as rocky points or submerged vegetation. The trout have moved back up into the surface waters and will often cruise the shorelines looking for minnows, crayfish and other prey.

STARVATION RESERVOIR: Still getting reports from anglers of fair to good fishing for yellow perch, walleye and bass. Brown and rainbow trout fishing has picked up due to cooler water temperatures. Bass and walleye will be found near rocky shoreline structures or along the weed beds looking for perch and other prey, especially during the warmer hours.

STEINAKER RESERVOIR: Anglers reported fair to good fishing for rainbows, bass and bluegill. Try to find areas with cover such as rocks and submerged vegetation. The fish are moving into the shallows looking for minnows and other prey.

UINTA MOUNTAIN LAKES AND STREAMS: Have heard of some fair to excellent fishing on clear-running streams and mid- to high-country lakes. Try brightly colored lures or jigs, trout baits like worms or putty baits or flies by matching the insect hatch. Fishing success on mountain lakes and streams can be spotty so if one hole or lake isn't producing try moving to another. With over 400 managed fisheries on the South Slope alone, it's easy to find a new place to fish. Some of the shallower waters are getting a film of ice during cold nights, which usually melts the next day. It won't be long before these waters ice up. Always go prepared for serious weather, as the Uinta Mountains are well known for frequent unexpected storms and high winds. Note: The Uinta Mountains have a four-trout limit with a bonus of four more brook trout—see proclamation for details.

Wildlife and watersheds benefit from tree chaining

Project in north-central Utah benefits people and wildlife

TABIONA — Deer, elk and a portion of the watershed draining into the Duchesne River will benefit from the recent chaining of pinyon/juniper (PJ) trees on the foothills of Tabby Mountain in north-central Utah.



A bulldozer pulls a chain through the woodland.

Photo courtesy of Tory Mathis

Roughly 1,000 acres of PJ was knocked down using a heavy chain pulled by bulldozers. The project included 600 acres on the Blacktail Ridge and another 400 in Sandwash.

The project is a cooperative effort among the Utah Division of

Wildlife Resources and its partners: the Bill Barrett Corporation (BBC), the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF).

"BBC is dedicated to helping offset potential impacts to wildlife in our Blacktail Ridge operation area," wrote Scot Donato in a letter to the UDWR. The BBC pledged \$20,800 to the project as mitigation for wildlife disturbances its planned drilling of four oil and natural gas wells may cause in the area.

The USFS and RMEF donated \$60,000 and \$7,500 respectively. Another \$100,000 came through the UDWR as part of Utah's Watershed Restoration Initiative.

"The area is losing its wildlife habitat and watershed values because of the PJ," says UDWR Habitat Biologist Alison Whittaker. "An area under a mature pinyon-juniper stand of trees has virtually no understory of grasses, forbs or shrubs. As a result, there is little for wildlife to eat. And water can just hit the ground and run off, stripping the land of its topsoil and creating some major erosion problems.

"The woodland in this area is quite extensive," Whittaker says. "Our goal is to break it up and create openings with more vegetation. We don't want to eliminate the woodland because it does provide some benefits to wildlife and watersheds. We just want to restart succession in some areas and create a mosaic of old and new as it would have been before people started controlling fires."

Chaining is only part of the project.

"The project is well underway before the first chain gets hooked up," Whittaker says. "First, biologists identify target areas based on the potential value they have for wildlife and watersheds. Then the biologists look inside the target areas using a combination of maps, aerial photos and on-the-ground surveys.

The Blacktail area of Tabby Mountain after the project.

Photo courtesy of Tory Mathis

"A habitat plan is then developed. The plan includes the final areas that will be treated, methods of manipulation (e.g. chaining, burning), reseed mixes and sources of funding. It's almost always an interagency, multi-cooperator project by this time. When the plans get the final signatures, then it's time to get out on the ground."



However, before a chaining or prescribed burn can start, an archeological survey must be completed.

"Crews are sent in to check the area for archeological sites," Whittaker says. "We don't want to accidentally destroy something that has historical value. Once we get clearance, the actual project can begin."

Making the area better for wildlife and water

The Blacktail Ridge and Sandwash areas were chained twice.

"Two big bulldozers pulled an anchor chain through the project site," Whittaker says. "By pulling it one direction, and then reversing direction and pulling it through again, we get a better knock down and uprooting of the trees. It also grinds them up a bit and prepares the soils for the seeds. We didn't chain the entire area; instead we chained a series of openings.

"The openings were seeded with three brush species. Seeds from bitterbrush, fourwing saltbrush and mahogany were spread into the tracks while the bulldozers did the chaining. Another mix of 12 species of plants, mostly grasses and forbs, was flown on just after the chaining. The final species sagebrush will be flown on in early winter, hopefully after a good snowfall."

Unfortunately, wildlife habitat projects like this one don't provide immediate results.

"It takes time for the plants to get established, so this project is a long-term vision," Whittaker says. "This year's efforts may not be readily visible for years. The grasses and forbs will respond first, and they'll provide some forage and help prevent erosion. The larger shrubs will take years to reach maturity. For example, sagebrush takes about 20 years to mature.

"We're working today to save and enhance wildlife habitat and watersheds for the next generation."

PRE-DAWN FIRE FORCES EVACUATION AT LUXURY HOTEL NO SERIOUS INJURIES REPORTED AT STEIN ERIKSEN LODGE

DEER VALLEY RESORT, PARK CITY, UTAH - (October 21, 2007) An early morning fire in a first-floor room at Stein Eriksen Lodge prompted the evacuation of hotel guests, officials said Sunday. The hotel and Park City Fire Department responded immediately and the fire was resolved at approximately 5:00 a.m.

Fire sprinklers activated and guests were evacuated from sixteen rooms on the first and second floors for precautionary measures at the Park City, Utah property. Guests residing in the immediate vicinity of the fire were notified of the incident via telephone and guests requiring evacuation were alerted at their door by hotel management.

The 180-room hotel was 66% occupied at the time of the incident and evacuations were limited to one wing of the AAA Five-Diamond property. Less than 10% of the hotel was affected and the occupants re-accommodated to other rooms immediately. No serious injuries were reported.

"Although an unfortunate incident, we are relieved the safety of our guests was never in jeopardy and the damage was contained," said vice president and managing director, Russ Olsen. "Stein Eriksen Lodge is 100% committed to providing a safe and secure environment for guests and staff alike. I am grateful to Lodge employees and the Park City fire department who responded swiftly with appropriate action."

In an effort to reassure guests and provide comfort, the hotel's management team was available Sunday to answer questions and address any concerns.

Fire officials currently have no damage estimates and the cause of the fire remains under investigation as of Sunday evening.

For more information and images of Stein Eriksen Lodge, contact Allie Kelly at (435) 731-0352 or akelly@steinlodge.com, or visit the Stein Eriksen Lodge web site at www.steinlodge.com.

Making deer and elk seasons the same statewide

DWR proposals would give you more time to hunt

Many hunters believe that taking a few days off a hunting season means fewer deer will be taken.

But Division of Wildlife Resources surveys show that's not always the case: on average, Utah deer hunters take more deer during five-day deer hunts than they do during nine-day hunts.

That's why the DWR is recommending that the general rifle season in both the Southeastern and Southern regions return to a nine-day hunt for the 2008 season.

The DWR is also recommending that the statewide general spike bull elk hunt return to a 13-day season. That would make the spike season the same length as the state's general any bull elk season.

Some information regarding deer and elk management in Utah will also be discussed at a series of upcoming public meetings.

The meetings provide an opportunity to learn

Figure 2

more

about the proposals and to provide biologists with your input and suggestions.



Citizens from Utah's five Regional Advisory Councils will take the public input received to the Utah Wildlife Board when it meets in Salt Lake City on Nov. 29 to approve Utah's 2008 Big Game Guidebook.

Meeting dates, times and locations are as follows (**two notes: the Southern Region meeting begins at 5 p.m. The Northern Region meeting is being held on a Monday**):

Southern Region

Nov. 6
5:00 p.m.
Hurricane High School
345 W. Tiger Blvd.
Hurricane

Southeastern Region

Nov. 7
6:30 p.m.
John Wesley Powell Museum
1765 E. Main St.
Green River

Northeastern Region

Nov. 8
6:30 p.m.
Western Park, Room #2
302 E. 200 S.
Vernal

Central Region

Nov. 13
6:30 p.m.
Springville Junior High School
165 S. 700 E.
Springville

Northern Region

Nov. 19
6:00 p.m.
Brigham City Community Center
24 N. 300 W.
Brigham City



Year	Season length	Average days hunted	Deer taken per 1,000 hunters
1999	5 days	3.2	470
	9 days	3.9	321
2000	5 days	3.3	480
	9 days	3.8	326
2001	5 days	2.9	330
	9 days	3.6	275
2002	5 days	3.2	317
	9 days	4.0	237
2003	5 days	3.0	224
	9 days	3.7	241
2004	5 days	2.8	367
	9 days	3.5	329
2005	5 days	3.1	282
	9 days	3.5	229
2006	5 days	3.0	441
	9 days	3.5	324

Providing more opportunity

"It might be hard to believe, but our harvest data shows that more deer are typically taken during five-day hunts than during nine-day hunts," says Anis Aoude, big game coordinator for the DWR.

The following chart compares five-day hunts in Utah to nine-day hunts. The chart begins in 1999, when Utah's first five-day deer hunt was held in parts of the Southeastern Region: Aoude has some ideas about why fewer deer are typically taken during a nine-day hunt.

"I think it might have something to do with hunters putting in more effort during a five-day hunt," he says. "They know the hunt isn't going to last long, so they put some extra effort in. Because the hunt is fairly short, I think they're also willing to take one of the first deer they see."

A busy life and procrastination might also be factors.

"During a nine-day hunt, I think hunters are more selective. If they don't see a deer they want the first weekend, they know they can come back and hunt the second weekend," Aoude says. "But despite their best intentions, most hunters don't make it back

the second weekend to hunt."

Aoude says Utah deer hunters hunt an average of three-and-a-half days during a five-day hunt. During a nine-day hunt, they hunt an average of four days.

"If Utah stays with a five-day hunt in southern Utah, four days including a weekend will be taken away from hunters," he says. "Most hunters wouldn't take advantage of the extra days, but those who would like to hunt some extra days could if we went to a nine-day hunt.

"That's very important for young hunters who are in school during the week and for those who have jobs that allow them to hunt only on the weekends."

More time to hunt spike elk

Another DWR proposal would give you more time to hunt spike bull elk in the state.

The DWR is recommending the general spike bull elk hunt return to a 13-day season. It's been nine days long for the past few years.

The general spike bull hunt would run from Oct. 4–16. Those are also the season dates the DWR is proposing for Utah's any bull elk hunt.

"The length of the spike bull elk hunt was shortened a few years ago when the age objective for bulls taken on limited entry units was lowered on most of the units," Aoude says. "Lowering the objective allows more permits to be issued and more bulls to be taken. The idea behind shortening the season was to save more spike



bulls so they could grow into mature bulls."

Since that time, Aoude says the age objective on most of the elk units has been raised. Raising the objective

means fewer bulls will be taken.

Even if there was a need to protect spike bulls, Aoude says keeping the season at nine days wouldn't make much of a difference. "The elk situation is the same as the

deer situation," he says. "Even if the season is lengthened by four days, most hunters won't take advantage of the extra days."

Aoude says hunters who hunt nine-day elk seasons in Utah hunt an average of five days. That number increases to five-and-a-half days when the season is 13 days long.

Proposals for southern Utah

Some of the other big game proposals the DWR will present include the following for southern Utah:

Change the Fillmore, Oak Creek South bull elk unit from a limited entry unit to a general any bull elk unit.

"The habitat on the unit isn't very good for elk, and there aren't many bulls on the unit," Aoude says. "If you draw a tag for the unit, there's a pretty good chance you'll take a bull. But we can't offer many permits for the unit, and we don't believe it meets the requirements to be a limited entry unit."

Change the Plateau, Fishlake-Thousand Lake buck deer unit from a limited entry unit to a general season unit.

"This small unit rarely meets the minimum objective of 25 bucks per 100 does that each of Utah's limited entry deer units is supposed to meet," Aoude says.

"The unit is surrounded by private land, and deer move in and out of the unit a lot," he says. "General season hunters on the private land surrounding the unit take a lot of deer as they move to and from the unit."

Create a new general any bull elk unit in southeastern Utah. The unit would be on the east side of US-191, just east of the San Juan limited entry bull elk unit.



"The elk in this area could cause hundreds of thousands of dollars in damage to sunflowers that are being raised for biofuel," Aoude says. "We're hoping general season elk hunters can help reduce these losses by taking some of the elk."

For more information about the meetings, call the nearest Division of Wildlife Resources office or the DWR's Salt Lake City office at (801) 538-4700.

Wolf Mountain receives History Maker Award

Eden, UT (October 19, 2007) – Wolf Mountain took its place in ski history last night, receiving the “History-Maker” award during the 17th annual Ski Affair. Thirteen other ski areas in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming joined Wolf Mountain in this honor. Building on the foundations forged by the “granddaddy” ski areas that gave birth to alpine skiing in the region (such as Alta, Brighton and Snowbasin, in Utah; Snow King in Jackson, Wyoming, and Sun Valley, in Idaho), the 2007 History-Makers were recognized for popularizing the sport during its adolescent or formative years.

“The honorees played an important role in the evolution of alpine skiing in the region,” said Dr. Greg Thompson, assistant director of the library and co-founder of the Ski Archives. “You might refer to them as ‘second generation’ ski areas. They took the sport out of the realm of being available primarily to a few fortunate skiers at a handful of areas and helped bring it to the masses when the sport was in its infancy. They revamped and expanded the region’s skiing landscape; they came on the scene at a critical period and they still play a big role in recreational skiing today. They are history-makers in every sense.”

Wolf Mountain, formerly Nordic Valley Ski Area, was purchased in June of 2005 by Wolf Creek Properties. Since that time substantial capital has been invested to improve infrastructure including new snowmaking and lighting systems, complete remodeling of skier facilities, re-grading of trails, and the addition of two new lifts and a terrain park. The ski area is now a very attractive recreation for destination skiers but remains family friendly and affordable for Wasatch Front locals.

Previous History-Maker Award recipients include ski instructors, influential women skiers, ski patrol members, local Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games and World Cup competitors, members of the legendary 10th Mountain Division of World War II and the U.S. Forest Service.

The ski archives, located at the University of Utah Marriott Library, have become the region’s largest repository for historically significant materials, ranging from files and photos of the sport’s humble beginnings in the 1800s to the glamorous days of the Olympic Winter Games of 2002, hosted by Salt Lake City. The archives contain more than 100,000 images (20,000 digitized and available on line), 250 manuscript collections and more than 250 oral histories and now has a Wolf Mountain repository. Anyone interested in adding Nordic Valley or Wolf Mountain historical information to the repository should contact Lorraine.Crouse@utah.edu.

Browning X-Bolt™ -- The New Benchmark in Bolt-Action Rifle Design

Morgan, Utah - The bolt-action rifle market is forever changed with the introduction of the all new Browning X-Bolt for 2008. The X-Bolt builds on the proven success of past Browning rifles, and adds numerous improvements that will position the X-Bolt at the top of bolt actions offered to today's discriminating sportsman.

X-Bolt Feather™ Trigger. The most notable new feature on the X-Bolt is the completely new adjustable three-lever Feather Trigger system that offers the best feel on any Browning rifle ever. The X-Bolt's new Feather Trigger provides a clean, crisp pull with no take-up or creep and minimal overtravel. The trigger is screw adjustable from 3 to 5 lbs. and factory pre-set at approximately 3 ½ lbs. An alloy trigger housing contains the hard chromed steel components that are highly polished on all critical surfaces. Precise engagement angles gives the X-Bolt



Feather Trigger a lighter trigger pull feel that stays that way through many thousands of rounds.

Bolt Unlock Button. The new X-Bolt will also feature a new bolt unlock button that works with the top-tang safety. Conveniently located on top of the bolt lever, the bolt unlock button allows the bolt to be unlocked and opened with the safety in the on position. The safety blocks the trigger sear and features a firing pin block for added safety.

Inflex Technology Recoil Pad. An all new Inflex Technology recoil pad is standard on every X-Bolt rifle. This ultra soft pad offers the best recoil absorption available on any rifle. The proprietary construction and material promote a directional deflection of recoil forces, pulling the stock comb away from the face to reduce felt recoil and muzzle climb.

X-Lock™ Scope Mounting System. The X-Lock mounts feature an all new four screw per base design that replaces the traditional two screw system. This gives the X-Bolt the most stable scope mounting system possible with the bases being secured on all four corners rather than only attached at the center of the base for more

accurate placement on the receiver.

An all new detachable rotary magazine is incorporated into the X-Bolt. Constructed from a durable lightweight polymer, the magazine is designed to feed cartridges directly in-line with the bolt, instead of offset as with traditional leaf-spring magazines, for a straight shot right into the chamber. The magazine sits flush with the bottom of the rifle for a sleeker appearance.

Other features found on the new Browning X-Bolt will include a short 60° bolt lift that provides fast cycling and allows the shooter to work the bolt more quickly without the scope getting in the way. The bolt has three locking lugs to provide exceptional bolt strength. The X-Bolt barrel is free-floated by bedding the front and rear of the action for stability and to help maintain barrel to stock spacing. A recessed muzzle crown helps protect the rifling from damage.

The new Browning X-Bolt will be offered in Hunter and Medallion models with wood stocks and in Composite Stalker and Stainless Stalker models with composite stocks. Short action composite model weight is 6 lbs. 5 oz. and long action wood stock models weight is 7 lbs. Calibers offered from 243 Win. to 375 H & H Mag. Suggested Retail \$799.00 to \$1,049.00.

Drake® Waterfowl Systems Introduces MST Eqwader™ Deluxe Quarter Zip in Mossy Oak® Duck Blind™

OLIVE BRANCH, MS - Drake Waterfowl is pleased to announce the addition of the new Duck Blind pattern on the new for 2007 Mid-Season Technology (MST) Eqwader Deluxe Quarter Zip pullover.

The fleece-lined, quarter zip includes instinctive features found in waterfowl coats, such as deep water hand-warmer pockets, adjustable neoprene cuffs and a removable hood. Heat escape vents were added to regulate body temperature. Other features include, magnetic chest call pouch, licence/key pouch and call separator.

For perfect balance and comfort, go to the Eqwader. During the early and mid-season, one of the biggest challenges a duck hunter can face, other than killing a limit of birds, is dressing properly with waders. Too much clothing will find you creating your own personal swamp land inside your waders, too little clothing above your waders and Mother Nature will send you right back to camp.

Eqwader is the first garment to combat two totally different environments at the same time. With 100 percent waterproof/windproof/breathable Silencer Micro-

Fleece™ or Refuge HS™ with HyperShield Technology™ to fend off the elements and soft, comfortable, highly breathable fleece below your waders, you'll be ready for whatever Mother Nature throws at you.



The Eqwader deluxe quarter zip is available in sizes small to 3X with a suggested retail price starting at \$100. It is now available in the all-new Duck Blind pattern. Duck Blind features elements from every sector of the nation's waterfowl highways and was skillfully designed to maintain its effectiveness throughout the waterfowl season in a wide variety of actual waterfowl hunting environments.

For more information on the new Drake Eqwader quarter zip, log on to www.drakewaterfowl.com. For more information on Mossy Oak Duck Blind, log on to www.mossyoak.com.

Warren Miller's "Playground" Highlights Utah Skiing

This year's Warren Miller film includes eight minutes of Utah footage highlighting the state's varied topography, snow and accessibility. The segment is the result of a sponsorship of the film by the Utah Office of Tourism and features the state's "Life Elevated" brand.

"Utah's Greatest Snow on Earth is the perfect fit for the Warren Miller signature films, which highlight the best skiing in the world," says Utah Office of Tourism managing director Leigh von der Esch. "And for the first time, in Warren Miller's long history, we are delighted that the Utah segment depicts skiers enjoying the red

rock 'Playground' of southern Utah on mountain bikes, before being lured to the slopes by the incoming powder. It shows Utah's unmatched variety."

Warren Miller premieres nationwide starting October 24, 2007. Check out one of the following Utah screenings:

- Oct. 24: XanGo Grand Theatre at SCERA Center, Orem, UT - Show: 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 25: Abravanel Hall, Salt Lake City, UT - Show: 6 & 9 p.m.
- Oct. 26: George S. and Delores Dore Eccles Center for the Performing Arts, Park City, UT - Show: 6:30 & 9:30 p.m.
- Oct. 27: Peery's Egyptian Theater, Ogden UT - Show: 3, 6 & 9 p.m.
- Nov. 8 & 9: Utah State University - Kent Concert Hall, Logan UT - Show: 8 p.m.
- Dec. 1 to April 1: Snowbird Conference Center, Snowbird, UT - Various times throughout the season



Denver Court Denies Vail Resorts' Injunction to Block Sale of The Canyons

A state District Court in Denver has denied a motion by Vail Resorts, Inc. for a preliminary injunction to prevent American Skiing Company (ASC) from selling The Canyons to Talisker Canyons Finance Co LLC. Vail had asked the Denver District Court to hold up the sale of ASC's subsidiary, ASC Utah, to Talisker, pending resolution of the claims made by Vail in the litigation it brought to challenge the sale.

"As a party that has not been accused of any wrongdoing in this matter, we are very pleased with the District Court's decision to allow the sale of The Canyons to go forward," said said ASC President and CEO B.J. Fair. "This ruling from the District Court is a first step toward a great future for the resort under Talisker's ownership. We will continue to work closely with Talisker to satisfy all remaining conditions to the closing of our sale."

"While we remain interested in The Canyons resort and are disappointed in the outcome of the preliminary injunction hearing, we respect the court's decision,"

said Rob Katz, chief executive officer of Vail Resorts. The battle, however, continues on. "We will continue to pursue our legal rights related to this matter." Vail Resorts has already spent nearly \$2 million since August 1 in activities related to The Canyons litigation.

The Canyons, Utah's largest ski resort, will operate as planned and is slated to open for the winter season on November 17. ASC presently anticipates that the closing of its sale of The Canyons will take place in the 4th calendar quarter of 2007.

Park City Mountain Resort Schedules Job Fairs

Considering working for a ski resort this winter? Park City Mountain Resort is hiring for the 2007-08 winter season. Job fairs will be held on October 25 and November 3.

The job fairs give applicants the opportunity to meet the managers, other team members, and to check out available jobs. Find out what it's like to work at Park City Mountain Resort, interview for specific jobs and ask questions. Positions can be offered at the job fair. Events will be held in the ski and snowboard resort's Legacy Lodge, located at the main base area. Just follow the "Job Fair" signs. Go to www.parkcitymountain.com to apply online.

Hours are from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 25, and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 3. For more information, contact Linda Cooley in the ski area's Human Resources department at 435-647-5406 or via email at lindac@pcski.com.

Celebrate Halloween Atop Snowbasin

Establishing a new tradition at Snowbasin Resort, imagine spending Halloween at the Masquerade on the Mountain Halloween Dinner Buffet and Dance at Needles Lodge atop the ski area's Needles Gondola. With any luck, partygoers will find a backdrop of snow on the slopes to boot.

The event, scheduled for Saturday evening, Oct. 27, will feature a "Bewitching Hours" cash bar from 5 to 6:30 p.m. followed by a dinner buffet at 6:30 and dancing to the band "Voodoo Box" beginning at 7:30. Masquerade Costume Awards will be presented at 8:30 before everyone rides down the mountain via the gondola at 10 p.m. Costumes are optional, but encouraged.

Tickets cost \$55 per person and required reservations may be made by calling 801-620-1021. Snowbasin will continue its Thanksgiving Dinner tradition this year as well atop the gondola on the November 22 holiday at \$45 per person for adults, and \$25 for youth six to 12. Reservations are again required, and children ages five and under are free.

Utah Tourism Office Launches National Winter Advertising Campaign

Television commercials promoting Utah's "Greatest Snow on Earth" are appearing on cable stations across the country this month. The Utah Office of Tourism has launched its \$1.9 million winter advertising campaign, which includes television spots, magazine ads, and interactive advertising on top travel-related web sites.



"We are excited to take the Utah 'Life Elevated' brand to major markets around the country to encourage travelers to spend their winter vacations in Utah," said Jason Perry, executive director of the Governor's Office of Economic Development, which oversees the Utah Office of Tourism. "The legislature has funded our efforts to promote Utah's outdoor recreational opportunities where a

winter visitor can ski in the mountains and bike in the red rock country of southern Utah."

Television commercials promoting Utah's skiing began airing on cable this week on a variety of networks, including: Discovery Channel, A & E, Bravo, CNBC, The Golf Channel, History Channel, National Geographic Channel, TLC, and the Travel Channel. The thirty second spots will also run on television stations in Los Angeles, one of Utah's largest domestic markets.

Hot Glass Studio to Open at The Canyons

The Glory Hole, Inc. has signed a contract to open a hot glass studio at the Sundial Lodge in the Resort Village at The Canyons. The hot glass shop will produce glass art and functional glass, and will offer participatory classes for anyone interested in learning about glass art.

The shop will feature glass blowing facilities, glass casting, slump molding, stained glass, neon glass and lampwork. The studio will include a viewing gallery for visitors to watch while glass art is produced. The Glory Hole employs a number of highly skilled glass artists that will be producing art and teaching classes, and will also be showcasing famous skilled artists-in-residence from around the world on a rotating basis.

"We will be the most exciting artistic activity in the Park City area," says founder and president, Peter Roberts. "To come into our studio after skiing or snowboarding, warm yourself by our furnaces, and watch the drama of hot glass being worked, will be a truly unique and inviting experience."

Currently there are no complete glass studios in Utah that provide all of these services. The center is expected to open by mid-January.

Park City Mountain Resort Invests Nearly \$5 Million in Improvements

Park City Mountain Resort has invested nearly \$5 million in improvements for the 2007-08 season, including brand new terrain, a redesigned trail map, a new heated resort plaza, installation of Fast Tracks lanes at King Con lift, expanded snowmaking and new environmental initiatives.

The resort has dramatically changed the landscape between Single Jack and Sunnyside runs by glading the diseased aspen trees while leaving the pine trees intact, creating a different environment and providing a challenging experience for intermediate and advanced skiers and riders called Motherlode Meadows. In addition, the resort has added a new run off of McConkey's lift, named Georgeanna after an old mining claim located in the area, that will extend from the top of Tycoon to the bottom of McConkey's Bowl, providing low-intermediates an easier way down from McConkey's lift.

The ski area has recently acquired 20 new low-energy tower guns and six new low-energy fan guns that will provide increased efficiency and output while utilizing less energy. The resort has also purchased three new snowcats including a winch cat, all of which will be operated with bio-diesel fuel and are more fuel-efficient than previous snowcat models. With the purchase of the new, more powerful winch cat, the ski area will be able to groom at least three to five "Signature Runs" per night in comparison to the two to four Signature Runs that were groomed each night last year.

Park City Mountain Resort has completely renovated its plaza with a snow-melt system and new concrete flooring. In an effort to remain environmentally sustainable, the resort is using a boiler that is 98 percent more efficient for heating the plaza floor. As well, the ski area is looking into different options, including planting trees, to offset the carbon output produced by the heated walkway. A lighting retrofit will also reduce the resort's lighting energy use by 50 percent.

New Boutique Ski Manufacturer Bluehouse Launches in Utah

Salt Lake City's Bluehouse Skis has joined a growing list of boutique ski manufacturers using specialized designs and innovative materials to build unique skis.

First brainstorming the idea during a ski day at Snowbird in 2002, several friends who grew up skiing the Wasatch Front began dreaming of building skis together. They believed that they knew what it would take to create a ski that would outperform others on Utah snow. After much sacrifice and personal financial commitment, Bluehouse Skis was officially born in March of 2007.

Continuing the boutique ski tradition of building unique designs with off-beat materials, Bluehouse Skis have eschewed the traditional spruce or ash core, and instead turned to bamboo. "There are so many reasons to use bamboo," explains Bluehouse Skis co-founder Jared Richards. "Bamboo has amazing strength-to-weight qualities, is renewable and can be found in abundance due to its rapid growth." Some larger species can grow up to three feet per day.

All Bluehouse skis are built under contract in Chinese factories as many smaller ski manufacturers have done to avoid the large barriers to entry imposed by establishing their own production facility. This allows the company to concentrate on marketing, design and sales. Despite the cost savings, the partners have still had to hang on to other occupations while launching Bluehouse. "We all decided that it makes the most sense to reinvest any money Bluehouse generates right back into the business, so for now, no one at Bluehouse is getting paid," Richards explains.

Ski Companies Complete Move to Ogden

Amer Sports Corporation - the world's largest sports equipment company - has opened its doors in Ogden, Utah, the new headquarters for its recently created

Winter & Outdoor U.S. unit (ASWO) that includes ski manufacturers Atomic and Salomon as well as wristtop computer maker Suunto.

"We're excited to have the Atomic, Salomon and Suunto brands here in Utah," commented Utah Governor Jon Huntsman, Jr. "This further illustrates Utah's increasing prominence in the wintersports and outdoor recreation industry."

"We considered several Western cities, but now that we've moved to Ogden, we are even more convinced we selected the ideal home. Being in Ogden lets us strengthen our platform and brands, and provide the very best customer service," explains ASWO President/General Manager Mike Dowse. "Here in the Rocky Mountains we are completely in tune with developing outdoor trends because we are so close to the consumers of our brand and products."

On the Move: Kenny Lentz

Powdr Corp recently named Kenny Lentz as its Director of Information Technology and Services. Lentz will assume his corporate role immediately while continuing to direct technology services at the company's flagship ski resort, Park City Mountain Resort.

"Kenny has proven himself to be a leader in the information technology arena not only through his work at our existing properties, but most recently during the acquisition of Killington (Vermont)," said Richard DesVaux, senior vice president and chief financial officer for Powdr Corp. "In his new assignment he will manage Powdr's technology partnerships and assist in defining our strategic technology initiatives, including enterprise infrastructure, eCommerce development, IT operations and network management."

Ski Utah Hosts Annual Fat Flake Festival

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH - Ski Utah will host its annual winter kick-off celebration, the Fat Flake Festival (formerly Snow Jam), Saturday November 3, 2007. The event takes place from 4 - 10 p.m. at the Gallivan Center in Salt Lake City. New to this year's event will be the Monster (Energy Drink) Rail Jam. The largest rail structure in Salt Lake City history will be built on top of the Gallivan Center ice rink, completely engulfing the skating venue.

A 14 foot high, super sturdy scaffold ramp in-run/jump will lead to a 20 foot C-box, provided by Park City Mountain Resort, and a 37 foot "volcano" box (a

battleship with a slightly concave plateau), provided by The Canyons. Fresh Wasatch snow will be trucked down from Alta and Brighton for the event.

"The Monster Rail Jam will be largest and most impressive rail jam ever produced in downtown Salt Lake City," said Mountain Sports International's (MSI) Keith Carlsen, who is the event director for the second annual Fat Flake Festival. "MSI is building the in-run and installing the rails on the ice rink oval in the middle of the Gallivan Center. This addition to the event which will feature Utah's top professional skiers and snowboarders--will take the winter kick-off festival to a whole new level. People will be blown away."

In addition, the event has adopted a new name. "We decided to call it the Fat Flake Festival in honor of our new logo, the fat flake," said Raelene Davis, Ski Utah marketing director, "Not to mention, this event celebrates Utah's incredible powder snow."



All attendees are encouraged to dress up in their best '80s ski outfits. A panel of judges will select the best '80s attire and award the winner a complete ski package, including gear from Eider, Rossignol, Burton and Smith. Another favorite at the event is the Powder Lounge, where fans can get autographs from their favorite athletes including Sage Cattabriga-Alosa, Jeremy

Nobis, Julian Carr, Grete Eliassen, Nate Roberts, Heidi Volker, Ashley Battersby, Cooper Hoffmeister, Jamey Parks, Billy Poole, Eric Leines, Bjorn Leines, Marc Frank Montoya and more. For the second year, Ski Utah will also honor the best photographers in the industry with the 2007 Ski & Ride Utah Photo of the Year contest. Eight finalists for skiing and snowboarding photos will be showcased and the winner for each sport will take home a \$1,000 prize.

Riveting ski and snowboard videos will tempt spectators, while live musicians, DJ Knucklz and the Spazmatics, are sure to keep the crowd dancing. Utah's resorts will attend with swag, passes and other prize giveaways. The event also features food, beer garden and more! Best of all, the event is FREE!! Get your '80s gear and come out to CELEBRATE THE COMING OF ANOTHER INCREDIBLE UTAH SKI AND SNOWBOARD SEASON!

2007 FAT FLAKE FESTIVAL, Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007, 4 - 10 p.m., Gallivan Center, Salt Lake City

4 - 4:30 p.m. - DJ KNUCKLZ
4 - 6 P.M. - MONSTER RAIL JAM
5 - 10 p.m. - Ski and Snowboard Videos
6 - 9 p.m. - Athlete Poster Signing in Powder Lounge
6 - 6:45 p.m. - The SPAZMATICS
6:45 p.m. - Photo of the Year Contest
8:15 p.m. - '80s Costume Contest winner announced
8:45 - 9:30 p.m. - The SPAZMATICS
9:30 - 10 p.m. - DJ KNUCKLZ and the party continues until spring!

For more information visit www.skiutah.com

SVENDSEN'S HELPS CLEAN WATER SOLUTIONS MEET DEMAND

Responding to high demand for environmentally friendly marine cleaning products that solve some of the smelliest and dirtiest problems onboard, Clean Water Solutions Inc. has added Svendsen's Marine to its growing list of sales outlets. Svendsen's will offer the innovative bioremediation products that clean and deodorize surfaces contaminated with oil and other pollutants.

"Svendsen's is an excellent relationship to have in place for the key West Coast market. They have a stellar reputation and excellent service," said CWSI vice president Susanne Homer.

Located in Alameda, California, Svendsen's Marine has offered a full range of marine products and services since 1963. While its chandlery is a Bay area fixture, it now offers an online store to expand its reach.

CWSI uses hydrocarbon-absorbing microbes in its innovative Oil Eradicators, Microbial Powder, Blue Surfactant and Oil Clean Up Kit.

Contact Clean Water Solutions, 40 Parker Ave., Newport, RI 02840.

For technical questions call 888-902-4141 or contact info@cwsius.com ; www.cwsius.com.

ThermoLogic™ - The Next Generation of Heated Apparel



PITTSBURGH, PA - The new ThermoLogic™ apparel by NTA Enterprise is the latest advancement in heated clothing.

Reliable, efficient, and unlike anything currently available, ThermoLogic allows users to control their own environment with ease and simplicity. Unlike other electrically powered heating garments, the technology behind ThermoLogic is applied directly on the apparel itself resulting in a product that is durable, washable and very effective.

Utilizing the proven INK-TEX Technology, ThermoLogic™ apparel is offered in seven unique clothing options. Consumers have their choice of ThermoLogic hunting jackets (both hip and parka length), bib overalls, and vests available in sizes M - 4XL, and gloves, hats and socks available in M - XL. Each garment has been especially designed to offer unmatched durability and comfort in any cold weather environment.

ThermoLogic utilizes a revolutionary patented technology that is built into the article of clothing. Using the new technology, an electronically conductive printed strip of silver/carbon-based ink is applied directly onto the lining of the apparel. Once in place, the ink patterns are protected with a polyurethane lamination and cured in a low temperature oven. After the pattern is cured, energy can be pulsed through the patterns allowing the carbon in the ink to heat up resulting in a soft, radiant heat.

Each garment in the ThermoLogic line features a manual control that allows the wearer to select the temperature for their apparel. By operating the control, the wearer can select from three pre-set temperatures: low (85 degrees Fahrenheit), medium (98.7 degrees) and high (110 degrees).

ThermoLogic hats, gloves and socks come complete with two pieces of hardware: a battery re-charger and a pulse modulator/battery combination that regulates the power flow. Jackets, vests and bibs in the ThermoLogic line are complete with a battery charger plus two batteries and two pulse modulators. Each battery and pulse module is housed in a specially designed pocket allowing for simple removal before washing. Once turned on, the 2" x 3" batteries will maintain the constant temperature setting up to six hours on the lowest setting; and two hours on the highest setting. Carrying an additional battery will allow most users to comfortably spend the entire day outside even in the coldest winter months.

ThermoLogic apparel is currently available in Mossy Oak® Break-Up® and Mossy Oak Duck Blind™. For more information, log on to www.thermologic.net.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT THE OGDEN NATURE CENTER

The Ogden Nature Center offers a variety of community programs designed to connect community members with the natural world. The Nature Center is located at 966 W. 12th Street, Ogden, Utah. For more information or to register for classes, please call 801-621-7595.

NOVEMBER

Indoor Desert Gardens

About Utah Series

Thursday, Nov. 1 / 6:30 7:30 pm

For adults and children 8+

\$5/members, \$6/non-members

Pot succulents for indoor winter enjoyment. Bring your favorite pot (or we will have some available for purchase) and choose from a variety of fun and interesting succulents to pot. Bring money to cover the cost of plants and a pot. Plants will be approximately \$3.50 each. Instructor: Barney Barnett from Willard Bay Gardens. Please call to pre-register by Tuesday, Oct. 30

Colored Pencils

Nature¹s Mediums Series

Friday, Nov. 9 / 5:30 7:30 pm

For adults

\$12/members, \$15/non-members

Learn to draw nature using colored pencils. Contact the Nature Center for a supply list. Instructor: Niki LeClair. Niki is a young artist specializing in colored pencils. See some of her art in the Nest Gift Shop. Please call to pre-register by Wednesday, Nov. 7.

Writing Poetry

Nature Writers Series

Tuesday, Nov. 13 / 5:30 7 pm

For adults

\$5/members, \$6/non-members plus materials.

Learn the basics of writing poetry word pictures and finding poetic inspiration from nature. Taught by teacher/naturalists William Pollett & Susan Snyder. Please call to pre-register by Monday, Nov. 5.

Dream Catchers

Saturday, Nov. 24 / 10:30 11:30 am

For adults and children ages 6+

\$12/members, \$15/nonmembers

Materials included. Make your own dream catcher with instructor Amber Hansen. Please pre-register by Wednesday, Nov. 21.

Bookworms

Tuesday, Nov. 27 / 5:30 pm

For adults, 12+

Free/members, \$3/non-members

Join ONC staff and volunteers for a discussion based on ³Pine Island Paradox,² by Kathleen Dean Moore. Refreshments provided.

DECEMBER

SAVE THE DATE!

Holiday Open House

at The Nest Gift Shop

Saturday, Dec. 1 / 10 am - 4 pm

Free admission for all.

Shop for your family and friends who love nature at the Nest Gift shop at Ogden Nature Center! Members enjoy a 10% discount. Find great stocking stuffers, books and clothing. Fragrant centerpieces and swags made with fresh greens will be for sale. We will also offer a fun nature craft for children and free refreshments for all.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Pee-wee Pow-wow

Bring your little bugs (ages 3-5) out for Ogden Nature Center's Discovery Days. Children will take a journey back in time as they step into a teepee to hear American Indian Legends, taste a journey cake, and make an American Indian keepsake to take home.

There are several times to choose from:

? Mon. Nov. 5: 9:30 am, 11 am or 1 pm

? Tues., Nov. 13: 9:30 am, 11 am or 1 pm

? Weds., Dec. 5: 9:30 am, 11 am

Programs are 1 hour. \$3 per child / adult chaperones are free. Space is limited. Please call 621-7595 to pre-register

ONGOING

Wildlife Wednesdays

Every Wednesday / 3:30 pm

For all ages

Members/free, Adults/\$3, Children/\$1.25

Slithering snakes, hooting owls, awesome eagles, dessert tortoises, tarantulas and more. Meet a different animal upclose each week and learn about their behavior, habitat, diet, unique characteristics and more.

DEER VALLEY FREESTYLE TEAM GAINS EVEN MORE POPULARITY

DEER VALLEY, PARK CITY, UTAH (October 25, 2007) – Deer Valley Resort will once again sponsor the Deer Valley Freestyle Team, a junior developmental team for moguls enthusiasts ages 8 to 16. The Resort sponsors the team by providing them with discounted season passes and allowing them to train on Deer Valley's terrain each weekend during the winter season, including on Champion, the 2002 Olympic Winter Games mogul run.

“Deer Valley is the perfect mountain to host a developmental ski program for children,” says Wasatch Freestyle Foundation Director Jon O’Brien. “It’s very safe, has a variety of terrain, including the best ski teaching terrain in America because of the great job Deer Valley does maintaining it.”

“Interest in our program has just sky rocketed this year,” continues O’Brien. “We’re thrilled that so many of the kids from last year are returning to the program this season, and we’re welcoming new faces as well. And new this year, some of our skiers will be traveling to compete in two events in Sun Valley and Grand Targhee. We’re excited to know that our skiers are not only interested in continuing, but in competing as well. Of course, it’s not all about competition. We ski the kids all over the mountain, in powder, trees and moguls. It’s a great introduction to a team experience. The kids stretch together, warm up together, do drills to improve their skiing and then simply experience the fun and enjoyment of skiing and just learning to be competent skiers.”

Deer Valley’s Freestyle Team trains every weekend during Deer Valley’s winter season. This year’s FIS Freestyle World Cup, the Visa Freestyle International, will be held February 1 & 2, 2008 at Deer Valley. For more information on the Freestyle Team, please contact coach Jon O’Brien at 801-272-7177. For more information on Deer Valley Resort or the World Cup, please contact Resort Communications Manager Erin Grady at 800-424-DEER (3337), (435) 645-6522 or view the Resort Web site at www.deervalley.com.

DEER VALLEY RESORT CONTINUES SPONSORSHIP OF US SKI TEAM MOGULIST NATE ROBERTS

DEER VALLEY, PARK CITY, UTAH (October 25, 2007) –Deer Valley Resort, which has become known as one of the world’s best freestyle competition venues, is proud to announce its continued sponsorship of one of the world’s best freestyle athletes, U.S. Ski Team member and World Champion mogulist Nate Roberts.

“We’ve been sponsoring Nate since 2005 and are thrilled to announce our continued relationship,” says Coleen Reardon, Deer Valley’s director of marketing. “Nate is not only a great athlete, but also a great person. He grew up in Park City and is a living example of hard work and excellence, both attributes that Deer Valley admires.”

“Nate has grown up with Deer Valley in his back yard,” says Roberts’ agent, Michael Spencer. “Being a freestyle skier, and watching Deer Valley grow with

freestyle and truly embrace it has been wonderful. In Deer Valley, Nate has a world-class facility to train on anytime he's home during the winter. Deer Valley was just rated the #1 ski resort in North America by the readers of *SKI* magazine for the third time. Nate is also a 'number one,' being the first American ever to win



a World Championships Gold Medal in 2005. Last year, Nate placed first at Deer Valley's World Cup event, and he'll again be competing in this winter's Deer Valley World Cup."

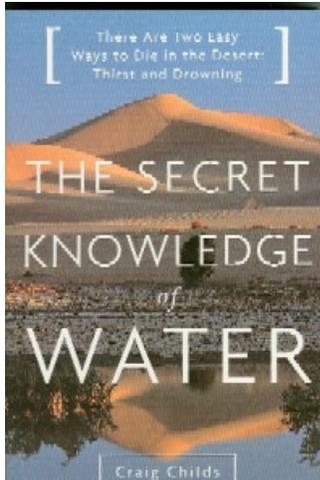
As part of his sponsorship agreement, Roberts will display Deer Valley's name on his helmet and ski at Deer Valley Resort whenever he's home in Park City. Look for

Nate competing on Deer Valley's famed 2002 Olympic Winter Games Champion run during its FIS World Cup, February 1-2, 2008. Deer Valley also proudly sponsors the Deer Valley Freestyle Team, a junior development team for young moguls skiers.

For more information on Deer Valley Resort or its sponsorship of US Ski Team moguls skier Nate Roberts, please contact Resort Communications Manager Erin Grady at 800-424-DEER (3337), (435) 645-6522 or view the Resort Web site at www.deervalley.com .

Happenings at the Council

If you have read about the Council's work surrounding the Bear River in northern Utah, but have never had an opportunity to visit or learn more about the river itself, **the Utah Museum of Natural History is sponsoring an exhibit entitled *BEAR RIVER: Last Chance to Change Course***. The exhibit focuses on photography and commentary by Craig Denton, a noted documentarian and professor at the University of Utah. Mr. Denton not only wants us to see the Bear through his lens, but he wants us to rethink our relationships with water. The exhibit will run through December 31, 2007. You can find more information at [the museum's webpage](#). You can also read the [Deseret News coverage](#) of the exhibit.



The Utah Museum of Natural History hosts a book club the first Monday of every month. To coincide with its current Bear River exhibit, the club will read and discuss The Secret Knowledge of Water, a beautifully written piece by author Craig Childs. Led by Jeff Appel, local water attorney and member of the Utah Rivers Council, the group will discuss Childs' quest to identify otherwise unknown water holes providing an oasis for wildlife and humans across geological history. Please join us for a fun and enlightening evening at the Tracy Aviary, 7 pm, November 5. For more information, contact Amy at 486-4776.

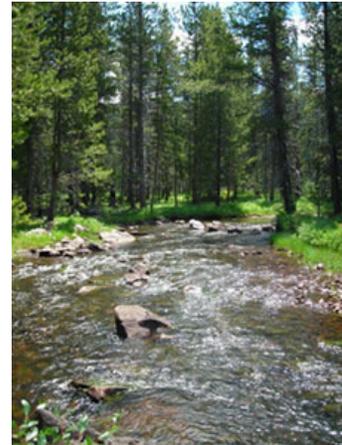
Utah's Potential Wild and Scenic Rivers Need Your Help - The Council will be talking to people about Wild and Scenic Rivers at REI on Saturday the 27th of October and at the Moab Folk Festival on November 3rd and 4th. Please stop by and say hi or join us at these events! There is a lot happening for potential Wild and Scenic Rivers in Utah: 1) the BLM Moab field office is accepting public comments on decisions related to the Colorado, Green and other rivers until November 30th, 2) the Kanab field office is accepting public comments on rivers in south-central Utah, including the East Fork of the Virgin River until January 11th, and 3) the Forest is about to release their draft plan and will accept public comments on the future of all rivers on Utah's National Forests! To get involved, contact Mark Danenhauer!

Conservation Tip: Did you know that a low flow toilet only uses 1.6 gallons per flush? Compare that to an older toilet which can use up to seven gallons. If your toilet was bought after 1994, chances are it is a low flow toilet. But what if you have an older model? New toilets can run hundreds of dollars, if that isn't in the budget right now, there is still something you can do. Use a toilet tank water displacement device, such as a toilet dam or bag, or a plastic bottle can be filled with stones or with water, recapped, and placed in the toilet tank. These devices will reduce the volume of water in the tank but will still provide enough for flushing. (Bricks are not recommended as they eventually crumble and can damage the flushing mechanism.)

River News Roundup

You've heard it before. Water conservation can eliminate the need for costly water development projects. Great Basin Water Network and Defenders of Wildlife argue convincingly that if Las Vegas could cut water consumption by 40

percent, it could eliminate the need to divert groundwater from northeast Nevada and parts of Utah. With the highest per capita water consumption rate across the nation, Nevada has significant opportunity to reduce its water use. Read more in the [Las Vegas Sun article](#).



New reservoir proposed to store irrigation water in the desert. Mike Noel, State Representative and Director of the Kane County Water Conservancy District plans to construct a new reservoir to store 3,900 acre-feet of water at a cost of \$6-7 million. The reservoir will also be built on top of 15 archaeological sites ranging from Paleo-Indian culture to pioneer settlements. Read [the Tribune's coverage](#) of this new reservoir.

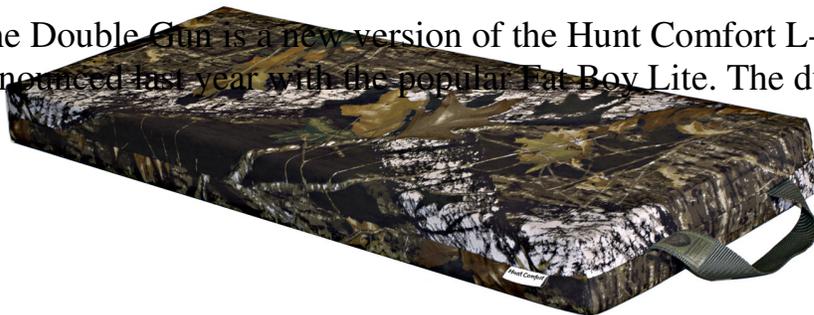
Panel Discussion: Nuclear Power, Global Warming, and Utah's Energy Future

HEAL Utah and the Wallace Stegner Center for Land Resources and the Environment invite you to a special panel discussion on "Nuclear Power, Global Warming, and Utah's Energy Future" featuring experts from Utah and around the country. Friday, November 2nd from 6:00-7:30 PM on the main floor of the Pickle Company Art Gallery (741 South 400 West). For more information, go to [The Heal Utah webpage](#) or contact HEAL Utah at 801-355-5055 or info@healutah.org.

Hunt Comfort Introduces Double Gun

EVERGREEN, AL - Built at the request of customers, the new Hunt Comfort Double Gun is designed for hunters who want a more comfortable option for their two-man stands. The most spacious seating platform built by Hunt Comfort, the Double Gun, measuring 13 inches by 40 inches, fits most wide-format hunting stands.

The Double Gun is a new version of the Hunt Comfort L-Core cushion series announced last year with the popular Fat Boy Lite. The dual-density cushioning



Lite. The dual-density cushioning element provides three inches of generous, cradling support that holds form under pressure and eliminates the "bottoming out" effect felt with other cushions. Softness is enhanced with Hunt Comfort's waterproof and durable Comfort TEX outdoor seating fabric. The six-pound, seven-ounce Double Gun is lightweight for easy carrying and set up.

L-Core, light core formula, is Hunt Comfort's more affordable answer to how to build a lighter seat core without gel content. Introduced in May 2006, the L-Core formula is a lamination of two foam specifications only available from Hunt Comfort. These foams are built with high-tech chemistry and cost less than gel-based cores. Compared to less-expensive foam cushions of the same dimension, these seats feel more substantial. Super-plush soft seating with the benefit of outstanding support is the hallmark of L-Core seating.

The Double Gun, available in Mossy Oak® Break-Up® is backed by a three-year warranty and has a suggested retail price of \$69.95. Get yours at select sporting goods stores or by calling 888-757-3232.

To learn more about Hunt Comfort's products, log on to www.huntcomfort.com or call 888-757-3232.

Snow stacking up in Utah's Mountains

The snow has been falling deep in Utah. Even though the lifts aren't running yet, Utah skiers are ready to rip. Many skiers got their first tracks this past weekend by hiking all the way to the top of the runs at their favorite Utah resorts.

Kristian Jelm gets first tracks at Solitude. 10-21-07

After a long hike to the Cirque at Snowbird, these skiers reaped the rewards. 10-19-07



Utah's resorts will be opening soon, and if this has tempted you to get out and try your own luck on Utah's slopes, remember that the ski resorts are not doing avalanche control yet. So, be careful

Put on your favorite '80s ski-outfit and celebrate winter at Ski Utah's 2007 FAT



FLAKE FESTIVAL, Nov. 3rd from 4-10 p.m. at the Gallivan Center in Salt Lake City. The best '80s ski outfit will win a brand new ski package including gear from Eider, Rossignol, Burton and Smith. Live music by the ever-bodacious SPAZMATICS and the funky beats of DJ KNUCKLZ will keep you grooving and moving all night long. Top athletes will battle-

it-out in the MONSTER (Energy Drink) RAIL JAM. Get autographs in the POWDER LOUNGE from your favorite ATHLETES including Sage Cattabriga-Alosa, Jeremy Nobis, Grete Eliassen, Julian Carr, Nate Roberts, Heidi Volker, Ashley Battersby, Cooper Hoffmeister, Jamey Parks, Billy Poole, Eric Leines, Bjorn Leines, Marc Frank Montoya and more. Riveting VIDEOS will pump you up for your first tracks. Resorts will hand out winter SWAG, passes and prizes. The event also features Ski Utah's annual photo contest winners, food, beer garden and more! Best of all, it's FREE!!

Winter is cool!

2007 FAT FLAKE FESTIVAL, Nov. 3, 2007, 4 - 10 p.m. , Gallivan Center, Salt Lake City

- 4 - 4:30 p.m. - DJ KNUCKLZ
- 4:30 - 6 p.m. - Monster rail jam
- 5 - 10 p.m. - Ski and Snowboard Videos
- 6 - 9 p.m. - Athlete Poster Signing in Powder Lounge
- 6 - 6:45 p.m. - The SPAZMATICS
- 6:45 p.m. - Photo of the Year Contest
- 8:15 p.m. - '80s Costume Contest winner announced
- 8:45 - 9:30 p.m. - The SPAZMATICS
- 9:30 - 10 p.m. - DJ KNUCKLZ and the party continues until spring!

Shooting Stick now Available



Hunter's Specialties® Tree Stand Shooting Stick can give gun hunters the extra support they need to make an accurate shot.

The shooting stick is adjustable and the height can be changed easily with one hand. It has a padded rifle rest on top to securely cradle a firearm and the bottom attaches to the hunter's foot so it can be quickly moved into position for a shot.

The Tree Stand Shooting Stick sells for a suggested retail of \$49.99.

For more information, log onto the Hunter's Specialties website at www.hunterspec.com, write to 6000 Huntington Court NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402, or call a Consumer Service Specialist at 319-395-0321.

TRCP Partners Welcome Senate Farm Bill Proposal, Urge Additional Progress

Hunting, fishing and conservation groups see promise in Agriculture Committee's starting point; look to legislators for key improvements

WASHINGTON – A broad coalition of hunting, fishing and conservation organizations that keeps close watch on the conservation programs in the Farm Bill greeted a draft proposal of the legislation offered today by the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee with optimism, but noted the need for additional funding.



“It appears that they’ve found \$3.7 billion in additional funding for the Farm Bill’s Conservation Title, which is undoubtedly a good thing,” said Dave Nomsen of Pheasants Forever, a co-chair of the TRCP Agriculture and Wildlife Working Group, which met for two years to analyze for the Farm Bill Conservation Title and offer recommendations for the future scope of the programs it contains.

“Chairman Harkin and his colleagues should be applauded for elevating the discussion surrounding conservation and making it a priority. The funding increases we see in this draft were sorely needed to maintain some pretty important existing programs.

“But it must be noted that 34 groups in our community have formally called for \$6 billion in new funding, the number we feel is truly needed to get the job done,” Nomsen continued. “We look forward to working with the Chairman and the other members of the committee during this process to grow conservation in programs like the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) whose funding levels have remained at their 2002 amounts thus far.”



The programs contained in the Farm Bill’s Conservation Title represent the single largest federal investment in conservation on private land, and their scope is of huge importance to fish and wildlife. Two of America’s most popular conservation programs, the Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) and the Grasslands Reserve Program (GRP), face the reauthorization of the Farm Bill without any money. The Senate draft reauthorizes both programs but the acreage allocated for GRP is almost half as much as the 2002 level.

“We are pleased to see that the Senate bill renews these programs,” said Barton James of Ducks Unlimited, another co-chair of the working group. “There is very little wiggle room however – it is vital that the increases found thus far for conservation remain intact and that we support committee members in their efforts to build on this investment.”

Also included in the Senate draft is an Open Fields access provision that would help fund state-managed, voluntary sportsmen’s access programs. Program funds will enhance wildlife management and improve recreational opportunities on land enrolled in Farm Bill conservation programs. Landowner assurances that reduce liability and risk can be provided through the state-managed public access programs. “We have been advocating for Open Fields for several years and we are very pleased to see this included in the Farm Bill,” said George Cooper, President and CEO of the TRCP. “Our nation’s sporting and outdoor heritage is vital to rural America and Open Fields will go a long way to abating the recent declines in the numbers of hunters and anglers.”

America’s farms, ranches and forests offer the greatest opportunity for enhancing our nation’s clean water, fresh air, and providing healthy fish and wildlife habitat that is enjoyed by millions of sportsmen. “While Farm Bill conservation programs directly address the conservation needs of farmers and ranchers, they also benefit every citizen in every state,” said Jen Mock Schaeffer of the Association of Fish

and Wildlife Agencies, the remaining AWWG co-chair. “We are encouraged by the Senate’s initial funding increases that we can make conservation an even larger priority over the next five years.”

In a time when greater agricultural demands are placed on our nation’s soil, water and other resources, the resulting strain on healthy fish and wildlife habitat has also increased. “It only makes sense that as payments and programs dedicated to production agriculture are increased, then so too should the incentives and programs dedicated to conserving fish and wildlife habitat,” continued Mock Schaeffer.



Conservation programs in the Farm Bill currently represent only 5 percent of the total U.S. Department of Agriculture budget. This investment has proven inadequate in recent years as some 74 percent of conservation program applications go unfunded. The sportsmen’s and conservation community is unified in its recommendations for increased conservation funding and would oppose strongly any amendments that would move funding from conservation to other farm programs.

For more information on our work to shape the conservation programs in the next Farm Bill, please <http://www.trcp.org/documents/2007farmbillreport.pdf>

The Model 70 Is Back!

Morgan, Utah - The Winchester Model 70 is one of the most respected bolt-action rifle designs in the world. Winchester Repeating Arms is excited to announce the return of the Model 70 for 2008. The All-American Model 70s will be built by American craftsmen in Columbia, South Carolina, at the same state-of-the-art factory (FN Manufacturing) as the rifles and machine guns used by American's Armed Forces. They are made to the exact ISO 9001 standard of quality that the U.S. Government insists upon for military firearms.

For 2008 the new Model 70 has the all new M.O.A.[™] Trigger System, improved fit and finish and enhanced accuracy to go along with its classic Pre-64 Controlled Round Feeding, Three-Position safety and solid, sure handling.

M.O.A.TM Trigger System. The new Model 70 M.O.A. Trigger System is the most precise three-lever trigger system ever offered to sportsmen. Operating on a simple pivoting lever principle, the trigger mechanism has been completely redesigned to exhibit zero take up, zero creep and zero overtravel. The pull weight ranges from 3 to 5 pounds and is factory-set at 3 3/4 pounds. Because of the enhanced ergonomics, wide smooth triggerpiece and 2:1 mechanical advantage created by the unique design geometry, it actually feels like half that weight.

Three-Position Safety. The improved three-position safety on the new Model 70 has proven effective and highly popular with hunters and shooters for decades. Convenient to operate with the thumb of the firing hand, the Model 70 safety lifts the firing pin away from the sear. Then the safety selector is in the middle position, the action can still be operated, allowing unfired cartridges to be cycled with the safety on.



Hammer-Forged Barrel. Model 70 barrels are cold hammer-forged from a solid billet of steel for accuracy and long life. Massive rotary hammers shape the barrel steel around a mandrel to create the rifling. The barrel is threaded, target crowned and installed on the receiver. The chamber is then reamed and the bolt is headspaced. This results in 1 MOA accuracy for three-shot groups using properly managed barrel, quality match ammo and superior optics under ideal weather and range conditions.

Blade-Type Ejector. The Model 70's blade-type ejector allows full control when ejecting a fired case. When pulling the bolt back slowly the empty case pops out gently, which is perfect for target shooters and varminters. Pulling the bolt back smartly allows the empty case to clear the port with greater force. The blade-type ejector helps to eliminate short-stroking malfunctions.

The new Winchester Model 70 will be offered in a Super Grade, FeatherweightTM Deluxe, Sporter Deluxe and Extreme Weather SS models for 2008. All will feature a thick black

Pachmayr® Decelerator® pad that will help take the bite out of recoil.

The Super Grade will be offered in 30-06 Sprg. and 300 Win. Mag and will feature a fancy grade walnut stock with contrasting black fore-end tip and pistol grip cap and a sculpted shadowline cheekpiece. Suggested Retail \$1,149.00

The Featherweight Deluxe has an angled comb walnut stock with Schnabel fore-end and satin finish with elegant cut checkering. It will be offered in popular long and short action calibers, including WSM chamberings. Suggested Retail \$999.00 to \$1,049.00.

The Sporter Deluxe features a satin finished walnut stock with cut checkering on trim fore-end and pistol grip, along with a sculpted cheekpiece. Available in popular long action and short action WSM calibers. Suggested Retail \$999.00 to \$1,049.99.

The Extreme Weather SS's premium Bell and Carlson composite stock features a trim, light feel with textured matte surface that gives a sure grip in any conditions. The Extreme Weather SS has a free floating, fluted stainless barrel to help minimize weight. Available in popular long action and short action WSM calibers. Suggested Retail \$1,149.00 to \$1,199.00. Delivery on all models will begin in June of 2008.

Kempthorne Announces New Appointments to Utah BLM Resource Advisory Council

Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne announced the appointments of six new members to Utah's citizen-based Resource Advisory Council, which advises the Bureau of Land Management on public land issues.

"These new Resource Advisory Council members are to be commended for voluntarily committing their time and knowledge to the stewardship of our public lands," Kempthorne said. "Their advice and recommendations will be a substantial contribution to this collaborative effort."

The BLM's Resource Advisory Councils (RACs), composed of citizens chosen for their expertise in natural resource issues, help the agency carry out its stewardship of 261 million acres of public lands. The Bureau, which manages more land than any other Federal agency, has 24 RACs across the West, where most BLM-managed land is located.

"The work of the Resource Advisory Councils is a prime example of how these

unique partnerships strengthen our management efforts and help promote cooperative conservation,” Kempthorne noted. “Their innovation and creativity is the engine that drives citizen-based problem solving for land management issues.”

State Director, Selma Sierra, said, “With a variety of experience and backgrounds, the RAC members offer wide-ranging viewpoints to our council. This diversity gives BLM the balanced outlook necessary to manage the public lands for multiple uses.”

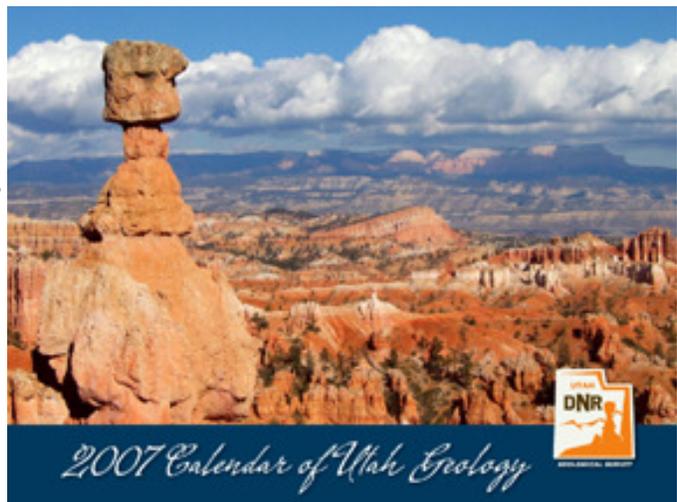
The newly appointed members of Utah’s RAC are: Paul Jacobs, representing Grazing, resides in Bicknell; Dell LeFevre*, representing Transportation/ROW, resides in Boulder; Lowell Braxton, (reappointed) representing Energy/Minerals, resides in Salt Lake City; Riley Cutler, (reappointed), representing Dispersed Recreation, resides in Salt Lake City; Drew Sitterud, (reappointed), representing Elected Officials, resides in Castle Dale; and, Manuel Morgan, (reappointed), representing Native American Tribes, resides in Aneth.

The Council members will serve three-year terms which will expire September 2010. (*Mr. LeFevre is serving out the remaining balance of a three year term that will expire in 2008.) Information about upcoming RAC meetings will be announced as soon as it becomes available.

UGS Calendar Billions of Years in the Making

Salt Lake City, Utah -- The Utah Geological Survey (UGS) has released its 2008 calendar featuring Utah’s fascinating geologic landscapes, some of which have been forming for billions of years. The images in the calendar include ocean-deposited rock layers now tilted and exposed in uplifted mountain ranges; beautiful glacier-sculpted mountains; wind, river and tidal-flat sandstones molded by the elements into numerous intriguing shapes; volcanic lava flows and igneous intrusions; and trilobite and dinosaur fossils.

This is the second calendar produced by the UGS and features more than 30 photographs taken by staff members. “Our staff works in some of the most



beautiful places in Utah,” said Rick Allis, UGS Director. “They have always taken marvelous photos of those areas, but never had a place to show off their work.” Now there is a venue to display their photos and it has become quite popular. Last year, there were 240 photos submitted for consideration. This year, the number of photos submitted for consideration more than doubled to 528 photos. Geologist Michael Vanden Berg has several photos, including the cover photo, in the calendar. “Being a geologist in Utah is an awesome job because you get to visit great places and it’s easy to take great photos.”

This year, the goals for the calendar were to use high quality photos that illustrated Utah’s geologic and location diversity and the four seasons. “Finding winter photos was a challenge,” said Vicky Clarke, UGS Graphic Arts Specialist. “But we did get manage to get some great shots.”

Also new to the calendar this year, each month features a geo-fact about Utah. For instance, October’s geo-fact states, “The San Rafael Desert is one of two places in the world that has an operating Mars Research Station.”

The calendars are now available in the Natural Resources Map & Bookstore, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, (801) 537-3320 or 1-888-UTAHMAP; geostore@utah.gov. You can preview the calendar online at www.geology.utah.gov. The calendars cost \$3.95 each. For orders of 10 or more, the calendars are discounted to \$3.25 each.