



News Release

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Bighorn National Forest



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The Bighorn National Forest is soliciting proposals from interested parties to provide outfitter and guide services for the Powder River Ranger District. As a result of this offering, the district intends to authorize additional



service days (a service day is one person on a guided trip for any part of a day) for existing permits and/or authorize a limited number of new special use permits. This offering will allow individuals or organizations to conduct outfitter and guide services on the public lands within the areas described in this prospectus.

Due to the size of the prospectus and the number of people on the mailing list, we have decided to post the package on the Bighorn website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/projects/projectfiles>. If you do not have access to the web, please contact Rick Hall at (307) 684-4634 or Craig Cope at (307) 684-4632 and they will mail you a copy. There will also be a few available copies at the front desk of the Ranger District office in Buffalo.



Please read the package carefully so that you completely understand what is being offered and how to submit your proposal. In addition to submitting your proposal and required application fee to the Forest Service, you will also be required to submit a copy of your business plan to the Small Business Development Center where a fee is also required. This is explained in the prospectus.



The deadline for submitting proposals is 4:30 p.m., Mountain Time, **September 30, 2009**.

If you have any questions, contact either Rick Hall or Craig Cope.

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