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NATIONAL ELK REFUGE ANNOUNCES VISITOR CENTER SCHEDULE CHANGE

Manager Steve Kallin announced today the schedule change for the Jackson Hole & Greater Yellowstone Visitor Center, located at 532 N. Cache Street in Jackson, Wyoming. The visitor center will continue operating under summer hours of 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM through Tuesday, September 30, making the annual transition to winter hours of operation of 9:00 AM through 5:00 PM beginning Wednesday, October 1.

The multi-agency visitor center is staffed by personnel from the National Elk Refuge, Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce, Bridger-Teton National Forest, Grand Teton Association, and Grand Teton National Park. The popular facility offers a variety of displays, videos and interpretive talks as well as an extensive bookstore. In addition to providing one-stop, high quality visitor services, the center serves the local community by offering bear canister rental, trail maps, and permits for products and activities such as firewood collection, Christmas trees, ORV/snowmobile use, and fishing.

During the National Elk Refuge's hunting season, the visitor center will continue to provide a computer and printer for hunters to access the elk hunting on-line permitting system. Elk hunters interested in applying for a permit to hunt on the National Elk Refuge have until October 3 to complete the on-line application process. On October 7, hunters will be able to view whether or not they were successful in the random draw, and, if successful, print their permit. Any unissued permits will then become available on a first-come, first-served basis to all hunters with a valid elk license, using the same on-line system. Alternate permits will also be available throughout the season on a first-come, first-served basis. For further information on the hunting program, please visit www.fws.gov/nationalelkrefuge/NERHuntingRegs.htm

For additional information about activities or services at the Jackson Hole & Greater Yellowstone Visitor Center, please call the National Elk Refuge Administrative Offices at 307.733.9212.

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