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BACA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

2019 Summer Talk and Tour Series

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FOR LIMITED TOUR SEATING AVAILABLE
Those without reservations may follow in their own (high clearance) vehicles

Tours are approximately 3 hours long and leave promptly at 5:00 p.m. from the Refuge Office at the former Ranch Headquarters located at 69812 County Road T. Talks are approximately 1 hour long beginning at 5:00 p.m. and will be at the Refuge Office.

Tour/Talk Dates and Topics

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| Thursday, June 13 th | History of the National Wildlife Refuge System
<i>Robert Streeter, former Assistant Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service</i> |
| Thursday, June 27 th | Geology of the Baca Refuge and Surrounding Area
<i>Dr. James McCalpin, Founder/President GEO-HAZ Consulting, Inc.</i> |
| Thursday, July 11 th | Weeds, Weeds, Weeds! –Invasive Plant Species and Methods of Control in the Greater Baca Area
<i>Baca Refuge Staff, interns and Town of Crestone Staff</i> |
| *Thursday, July 25 th | Baca Area Night Skies (8:30pm)
<i>National Park Service Interpretive Ranger, Great Sand Dunes National Park and Town of Crestone</i> |
| Thursday, August 8 th | Native Bees of South Central Colorado
<i>Dr. Olivia Messinger-Carril, Author of <i>The Bees In Your Backyard: A Guide To North America's Bees</i></i> |
| Thursday, August 22 nd | Baca Refuge/Ranch History
<i>Baca Refuge Staff and Bob Bunker, Longtime Baca Ranch Cowboy/Resident</i> |
| Thursday, September 5 | San Luis Valley's Closed Basin – Hydrology of the north San Luis Valley
<i>Cleave Simpson, General Manager, Rio Grande Water Conservation District</i> |

FOR RESERVATIONS CALL 719-256-5527

**Join a National Park Service, Park Ranger for a tour of the Baca night sky. Bring a blanket or a chair, flashlights with red light, and warm layers. This program will begin at 8:30pm at the refuge office.*