INL Desert Site Tours

Thursday, May 18, and Friday, May 19

Sign up by May 10

Schedule (may vary due to weather or project activities)

Morning (8 a.m. to noon)
• 7:50 a.m. - Meet at Energy Innovation Laboratory (EIL) in Idaho Falls to board tour vans
• Travel to the INL Site (approximately a one-hour drive)
• Start on the Big Lost River to talk about Native American sites ranging from 13,000 years ago to 150 years ago
• Walk a few hundred feet to old town site of Powell and learn about early settlement on what is now the INL Site
• Travel to the Powell Stage Station and talk about early transportation
• Travel to a 1909 homestead site and discuss desert irrigation projects

Lunch (noon to 1 p.m.)
• Location TBD
• Plan on packing your own lunch and snacks as these will not be provided

Afternoon (1 to 4 p.m.)
• Explore Lake Terreton archaeo-climate research
• Return to EIL (approximately a one-hour drive)

General Information
• The tour is open to U.S. citizens age 18 and older
• Space on each tour is limited to 12 participants
• Sturdy boots and weather protection (sunscreen, rain jacket – gear appropriate for conditions) is required – participants must provide their own gear
• Please bring plenty of drinking water – INL is situated on a high desert, so it is very easy to become dehydrated in this environment
• As spring weather tends to be unpredictable and access to sites is typically via unimproved roads, the tour is subject to cancellation due to poor conditions

Reservations
Please contact the Idaho National Laboratory Cultural Resource Management Office to reserve a space on the tour
• Send an email to Christina Olson at christina.olson@inl.gov
• Each individual wishing to participate in the tour must provide their full name, citizenship and contact information when making reservations

The tour will meet at:
Idaho National Laboratory, Energy Innovation Laboratory, 775 University Blvd. in Idaho Falls, Idaho