

Basin & Range

June 7-9, 2019
Castle Rocks State Park
Almo, Idaho



Fee for Basin & Range participation

- \$30 for attendees 13 +
- \$25 for attendees 65+
- No cost for attendees 12 and younger

Friday, Competitive Birding Orientation

What you need to know and where to go!
4:30-5:30 p.m. in the City of Rocks Visitor Center
Wallace Keck

Friday evening, Artist in the Park

Reception with hors d'oeuvres and viewing
5:30-7:30 p.m. in the picnic shelter near Lodge
Poo Wright-Pulliam

Saturday Evening Program (7:00-7:40 p.m.)

**20 Years of Chasing Birds in City of Rocks;
birding competition and award ceremony**
7:00-7:40 p.m. in the group site pavilion
Wallace Keck, Superintendent

Additional information

- There are no electrical, water, or sewer hookups available at the group site.
- There is RV camping available at the Smoky Mountain campground; you are responsible for making your own arrangements.
- Nearby lodging or AirBNB is available in Almo, Idaho

Questions: Please contact:

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Alan Lloyd was raised in the small ranching community of Elba, just 10 miles northeast of the parks. The complex yet scenic City of Rocks and Castle Rocks are part of what sparked his interest in studying geology. Alan earned a BS in geology from Boise State University, and has worked professionally as a hydrogeologist, exploration geologist, and water well contractor.

Session description: The Reserve is home to a rare, nationally significant geologic landscape of densely spaced granite spires and domes enclosed within a mountain basin. The geologic structures and rock types found here led to the designation of its national natural landmark status. Discover the full story.

Tara McClure-Cannon, Assistant Park Manager, City of Rocks Professional Archaeologist. Tara has a Master Degree in Anthropology from New Mexico State University and has worked with private companies and state and federal agencies in cultural resource management.

Session description: Although City of Rocks National Reserve protects over 6.2 miles of the most intact route of the California Trail, the land holds many secrets. Discover the stories behind the emigrant signatures and hear in their words what they experienced here 175 years ago.

Terri Pope has worked as a biologist for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources since 2012. She is currently the Wildlife Conservation Biologist in the Central Region, working with birds and mammals of conservation concern. Terri earned her Master's degree from Northern Arizona University and Ph.D. from Texas A&M University. Her research focused on how differences in habitat conditions affect avian behavior.

Session description: Birds use many different nesting strategies. Types of nests are quite variable; from scrapes on the ground, to cups in shrubs, and cavities in trees. Where a nest is located and how the adults behave around the nest also can influence whether a nest successfully fledges young birds. Come learn about strategies birds use for nesting to ensure future generations of their species.

Birding Big Day Blitz

Wallace Keck, parks superintendent, is challenging us to a friendly half-day birding competition on Saturday, June 8 from 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. If you accept the challenge, teams of 2-4 birders will scour the checklist area for species. The team with the most species wins (there is a prize!). GSLA invites other Audubon chapters and birders and organizations to join the fun. Contact Jeanne Le Ber for contest rules and more information.

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Pinyon Jay

Castle Rocks State Park Group Area

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Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation
Prairie Falcon Audubon Society

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