

# Fence Modification Project - McCullough Peaks Wild Horse Herd Management Area



**Start Date: 7/18/2026**

**End Date: 7/18/2026**

**Timezone: MDT**

Join Backcountry Hunters & Anglers for a hands-on stewardship project in the McCullough Peaks Wild Horse Herd Management Area, just east of Cody. The McCullough Peaks are a rugged expanse of badlands and sagebrush known for their resident wild horse herd, wide-open pronghorn country, and sweeping views across the northern Wyoming basin. We'll spend the day modifying problematic fencing to improve wildlife movement across this iconic Wyoming landscape.

Historic sheep and livestock fencing across the West can create barriers for wildlife, particularly for species like pronghorn and mule deer that depend on open sagebrush country to move freely. During this project, volunteers will help convert sections of fence to wildlife-friendly specifications, improving habitat connectivity while maintaining functionality for land managers.

The modified fencing will have a smooth bottom strand set at 18" off the ground, with subsequent spacing of 8", and 12" for the top two barbed wires. This allows pronghorn to pass underneath while keeping the fence low enough for mule deer to easily jump over, all while continuing to contain the resident wild horse population.

If you enjoy working hard outside and leaving the land better than you found it, this project is for you!

\*\* No experience necessary — tools and guidance will be provided.

## Event Schedule:

Friday Evening (Optional)

Camping available for those arriving the night before.

Volunteer Camp

?? 44.48754, -108.51585

Saturday, July 18

8:00 AM – Project Meet Location (Coffee and light breakfast snacks will be available during introductions and safety briefing)

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3:00 PM – Hard stop on fence work

4:00 PM - Wild Game potluck dinner at camping site. Although not required, it is requested that folks bring a dish to share. BHA will provide paper plates, utensils, trashbags.

## Getting there:

Project Site / Morning Rendezvous

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