

The Bureau of Land Management-Vernal Field Office (BLM-VFO) in Vernal, Utah would like to invite you to participate in our site stewardship training. The “Cultural Resource Site Stewardship Program” is a public outreach and heritage program that provides the interested public an opportunity to work with professional archaeologists in the field. This adventure will take place the last two full weeks of June, 19th-23th and 26th-30th.

The Vernal Field Office is asking for eight volunteers each week to come and work with us in the field. We will meet each morning at 8:00am at the Vernal Field Office and will return by approximately 4:30pm. During the field trips transportation will be provided by the BLM-VFO. Volunteers are expected to provide their own lunch and to wear apparel that is appropriate for the desert environment (i.e. hat, boots, sunglasses etc.). Typically, we will hike approximately 2 to 5 miles a day.

Participants will get the opportunity to visit some amazing previously recorded archaeological sites, discover and help record new sites, and take part in stewardship training, all while enjoying the beautiful desert landscapes of Eastern Utah. Come learn about archaeology in a hands on environment. This year we will have a class on plants that were used by native cultures, learn how to protect cultural resources, a class given on how to record Rock Art, and participants will be instructed on BLM Utah’s “Respect and Protect” program. All activities will be done in the field.

If you would like to participate please let us know by 31 May 2017. Please feel free to contact Archaeologist, David Grant if you would like to share in this great adventure at dgrant@blm.gov or 435-781-3401.