

## Bechler

The **Bechler** Area is the one [southwest corner] section of the park which is not connected to the Grand Loop Road system. A historic ranger station is the centerpiece of the small administrative area located at the end of a gravel road, 26 miles east of Ashton, Idaho.

**Bechler** is often referred to as the park's "Cascade Corner" due to the many waterfalls found in that section of Yellowstone. It has become increasingly popular with backcountry use by visitors and overnight stock users who mostly come from the immediate region.

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### Cultural History References:

**417**--John Sargent gives evidence of Bill Clark setting a forest fire in **Bechler** '93.

**4620**--Buffalo poaching in **Bechler** region '00

**4851**--Peter Holte (Holt) report: discusses Bartlett Cabin '02--has animals--description of large lake in **Bechler** country.

**4918**--poaching in **Bechler** '03--Ed Rainey.

**4971**--**Bechler** patrol by Morrison; mentions a fire west of the park.

**6022**--James Camp of USGS suggests a route for the proposed **Bechler** road '04 and describes **Bechler** features.

#### **Item 64--Laws and Regulations; 1908-1917; Files No. 300-307**

File 300 "Law & Regulations, general violations of reported":

Letter, dated 1/30/1915, informing Captain King that Sergeant Plant of **Bechler** River Station had a civilian at the soldier cabin and that both had been hunting game within park boundaries.

#### **Item 69--Reports on Roads, Bridges, and Improvements up to 1909; Files No. 340-346, 348-349**

File 348 "Roads & Trails: New trails (back country) in the Park; reports total mileage and cost":

Map: "Yellowstone National Park Department of the Interior General Land Office Richard A. Ballinger, Commissioner, Compiled from the official records of the general land office USGS and other sources under the direction Frank Bond 1907" showing the new trails (back country) constructed during the 1911 season; typed on front: "Trails build July, August, and September, 1911, by Interior Department, under direction of Scout James McBride. Foreman of crew Walter Rubin. Trail: Snake River west on park

line to **Bechler** Station, then N. W. to W. line, N. to point 3 1/2 mi. N. of monument N.W. to Upper Basin; handwritten on the back: "trails build summer 1911", approximate cost per mile and total cost.

**Item 97--Personnel, Resignations, etc., 1909 to 1914, (Army Scout reports), Files No. 90, 99**

File No. 95 "Employees: Monthly Reports, Scouts & Acting Supt. Transmitting 1913"

Correspondence, dated 2/3/1913 through 1/6/1914 (i.e. scout reports for January - December, 1913), concerning the scout reports which are included. Items mentioned include the following: mountain sheep and diseases; animals sighted, their condition, and the condition of their range (mountain sheep, elk, antelope, white tailed deer, blacktail deer, black bear, moose, wild buffalo); routine patrols and duties; feeding the animals during the winter; sheep corral; wild buffalo herd at Pelican Valley; inspection of the **Bechler** Soldier Station, including charges brought against the charge-office; weather and winter conditions, the severity of which was causing the young elk to die off; hauling hay to feed the buffalo and the purchasing of same; counting game for spring census; signs of animals (beaver); road and bridge conditions, work, and maintenance; buffalo ranch; planting fish...

**Item 98--Expenditures - Park Revenues, 1909 to 1916, File No. 113**

"File No. 113 EXPENDITURES from REVENUES YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, for the Fiscal Year, 1913 - July 1, 1912 to June 30, 1913"

New Buggy. Repairs to Clerk's quarters. Repairing old trail to Gardiner. Alfalfa Field Gardiner. Shoeing Dept. team. Salaries. Painting signs. Putting up hay & gen'l ranch work at Buffalo Corral. Policing camp sites. Repairing field glasses. Supplies for snowshoe cabins. Alfalfa Field Gardiner. Forage for team. Fire Fighting tools. Office supplies (linoleum etc..) Wire screen over Stygian Cave. Salary Asst. Buff. Keeper. Water Tax to War Dept. Telegraph Charges. Supplies for telephones. Traveling expenses scout to **Bechler**. Elk Census. Purchase hay for antelope. Employment buffalo herder. Traveling expense Supt. to Butte. Alfalfa Field, Gardiner. Constructing fire lanes. Repairs to Buffalo corral at Mammoth. Policing Camps Sites. Carried to f. y. 1914, and correspondence all carried forward. This is an organization of the requests and explanations for the use of funds. There are letters concerning the secret mission of Lt. Kobbe and scout Raymond Little to investigate the malfeasance of the command at the **Bechler** Station that resulted in the arrest of the non-commissioned officer in charge (Feb., 1913). Little's official report is included.

**Item 99B--Disbursement, Protection, Snowshoe Cabins (Supply and Development of), 1909-1916**

"Yellowstone National Park and Part of Abutting Forest Reserve form maps by the U.S. Geological Survey": hand marked on this map are the cabins not rationed fall of 1904; also marked are all snowshoe cabins and stations.

"Department of the Interior General Land Office Richard A. Ballinger Commissioner Yellowstone National Park Compiled from the official from the official records of the General Land Office U.S. Geological Survey and other sources under the direction of Frank Bond Chief of Drafting Division G.L.O. 1907": hand marked are the snowshoe cabins as supplied fall 1914.

Detailed list of items placed in the snowshoe cabins in the fall of 1903 (including Willow Creek, Proposition Creek, Coulter Creek, Hart Lake, Trappers Creek, Signal Point, Trout Creek Gallatin River, Gneiss Creek, Lewis Falls Pelican Creek, Thumb, Slough Creek, Hellroaring, Crystal Spring, Fox Creek, Upper Yellowstone, **Bechler**, and Sportsmans Lake).

The schedule for rationing snowshoe cabins 1903.

Chart showing the record of rations at the snowshoe cabins for winter 1910-11 (including Gneiss Cree, Sportsman Lake, Crystal Spring, Slough Creek 1, Hellroaring, Slough Creek 2, Willow Creek, Pelican Creek, Lewis Falls, Signal Point, Upper Yellowstone, Proposition Creek, **Bechler** River, and Riverside Searching Party)....

...Chart of Snowshoe Cabin rations for fall, 1905 with notes as to when they were stocked, etc. ("Gallatin", Mt Holmes, Gneiss Creek, Sportsmans Lake, Crystal Spring, Hellroaring, Slough Creek, Willow Creek, Pelican Creek, Signal Point, Trappers Creek, Upper Yellowstone, Fox Creek, Coulter Creek, Heart Lake, Lewis Falls, Shoshone Lake, Proposition Creek, **Bechler** river, and Trout Creek). Attached are typewritten lists for rations at the Riverside Station, Hellroaring Cabin, Slough Creek Cabin, and Trout Creek Cabin.

Individual lists of equipment placed in Snowshoe Cabins (Thumb, Lewis Falls, Coulter Creek, Fox Creek, Upper Yellowstone, **Bechler** River, cabins under the jurisdiction of the Snake River Station) and rations disbursement (Proposition Creek, Coulter Creek, Hart Lake, Trapper's Creek, Signal Point, Fox Creek, Upper Yellowstone, and **Bechler** River) during the fall of 1903.

Chart of articles placed in snowshoe cabins in fall 1904 (Gallatin River, Mt. Holmes, Gneiss Creek, Sportsmens's Creek, Crystal Spring, Hellroaring, Slough Creek, Willow Creek, Pelican Creek, Signal Point, Trapper's Creek, Upper Yellowstone, Fox Creek, Coulter Creek, Heart Lake, Lewis Falls, Shoshone Lake, Proposition Creek, **Bechler** River, and Trout Creek).

#### **Item 101--Misc. Inquiries, 1909 to 1915, Files No. 500-502**

File No. (none) : Correspondence, dated 7/16/1913 through 10/3/1913, between Lindsley and H. M. Chittenden (signed), concerning the proceedings of the Park Superintendents for 1911 and 1912, the stage robbery of 1897, testimony of Robert Duff, the various soldier stations in the park as of 10/3/1913 (Norris, Riverside, Fountain, Upper Basin, Thumb, Snake River, **Bechler**, Lake Outlet, Sylvan, Canyon, Tower Falls, Soda Butte, Gardiner, Crevice Mt., and Gallatin), and snowshoe cabins.

#### **Item 104B--Misc. Files 1917 (Automobiles, Buildings, Complaints.); Files 42-44, 51-52, 80-83**

"File No. 52 BUILDINGS & BLDG. SITES, WAR DEPARTMENT. Chapel. Hospital, outpost Stations, etc." Documents run from 1909 to 1917. Booklet: SPECIFICATIONS FOR A POST CHAPEL PLANS NO. 229A AT FORT YELLOWSTONE, WYOMING (1911). There are letters about ice at the government ice house and about (not) building auto shelters. Building a base hospital is discussed in 1909. A march 1912 letter from Colonel Brett gives his plan for distribution of soldiers to protect the park. It suggests moving the Riverside Station to the west boundary. It includes then existing and proposed patrol cabins (snowshoe cabins); a hand enhanced map is included. There is a photo by Joe

Schmidt of 4 rangers at the Thumb Station in the fall of 1913. A letter about the construction of the patrol cabins at **Bechler** and Gallatin with notations (1912) on the 1911 topo map by I.P. Berthrong.

#### **Item 114--Weekly Reports, Bechler, 7/10-11/16 1910-1916**

Most reports by Quinn Plant; some by Carl Pulaski, Sgt. Winn, Gibbs. Weekly outpost reports including: persons making patrol, ammunition report, game seen, snow depth, telephone line repair, water levels.

#### **Item 130-136 Monthly Reports 1907-1917**

In Box 90: Monthly Reports--**Bechler** (12/10-8/07), Canyon (7/98-9/08), Crevice (7/07-10/07), Fountain (1/98- 8/08), Gallatin (7/10-10/17), Gardiner (9/95-3/18).

#### **Bechler Ranger Station Log Book-1973**

#### **Box A-162--Commendations, complaints 1955-1964**

"A34-Commendations, (Misc.), 1963-64." Includes a letter regarding an aircraft crash in the **Bechler** area.

#### **Box A-399-Copies of Yellowstone related from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.**

File "A7623 YELL #52 Apr. 1963 - June 16, 1963": This file is from Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service, Region II (Midwest Region), General Files, Box A-61, A-62, or A-66. It contains correspondence on: Log of Yellowstone National Park Headquarters activities in connection with B-47 bomber crash in **Bechler** River Sub-District; ranger personnel involved in field activities for the search, rescue, and investigation of the B-47 bomber crash (5-3-63 to 5-9-63); photos of crash site; 3 deaths (B-47 bomber crash in **Bechler** River Sub-District: Capt. Loren Matthews, Capt. Frank Zumbra, S/Sgt. Lawrence Harrison) -survivor: Capt. Bruce Chapman; letter of appreciation for Ranger Bill Nuss in rescue work.

#### **Box D-8--Roads 1918-1970**

File 5: 1922--handwritten manuscript of proposed **Bechler** River road project; engineering survey with elevations and grades.

File 9: 1926-1927; 1930; 1932-1933; 1936-1939; 1940; 1943-1953. Southwest approach road (**Bechler** proposal...

#### **Box D-46--Water Supply, telephone lines, Reports and Correspondence, 1919-1964**

File "480 - Waters and Sanitation Summary of Lands in National Parks and Monuments Showing Status Acquisition Program - June 30, 1934."

Contents: letter to Albright explaining "correspondence relative to application of the North Fork Reservoir Company for permit to enter the southwest corner of the park to make surveys for reservoir site" (July 5, 1916); letter from D.G. Martin to Chester Lindsley describing the North Fork Reservoir Company, organization of irrigation districts, object of request to enter the Park to conduct a survey, number of water users in the project, amount of land interested in the project, lands in the Park that will

be submerged (July 30, 1917); letter from Chester Lindsley to D.G. Martin, general communication (August 2, 1917); ... "Sanitary Condition of Bottled Waters" (2 copies); letter from Stephen Mather to Colonel [Lloyd] Brett concerning a project proposed by A.E. Berlin [construction of a water storage reservoir at the confluence of **Bechler** River and Falls River] (November 23, 1915); letter from Stephen Mather to [A.E.] Berlin stating that no survey of the reservoir site was ever made by the Government (November 23, 1915); letter from A.E. Berlin to the U.S. General Land Office saying that an association has been formed to construct a water storage reservoir in the southwestern corner of Yellowstone National Park (November 7, 1915); letter from [unsigned, probably Lloyd Brett] Colonel, Cavalry, Acting Superintendent to the Secretary of the Interior explaining that there is no administrative objection to A.E. Berlin's proposal to construct a water storage reservoir in the southwest corner of Yellowstone National Park (December 1, 1915) ...

#### **Box D-69--Roads, construction**

File "**Bechler** River Road, Mar.-Dec., 1925"

Memos; map; correspondence between Horace Albright, Hugh H. Rankin, and William Gregg; newspaper articles; all regarding proposal for road in **Bechler** region.

#### **Box D-98--Utilities, construction 1951-1965**

"D5039-Drilling Water Wells, Bridge Creek & **Bechler** Areas; Recond. Bridge Bay Water Well. 1963."

#### **Box D-133--Master Plan, roads, trails, construction 1966**

File "D22 Construction Programs-(PCP) Project Construction Proposal Jan thru July 1966"

Contains documents regarding proposed construction projects, including: projects at Big Hole National Battlefield; water, sewer, and power at South Entrance Station; comfort stations in campgrounds; water and sewer system at Dragon's Mouth parking area; resurfacing road surface from Lamar Canyon to Soda Butte; grounds improvement at Grant Village; apartment building at the Northeast Entrance; reconstruction of the Norris Soldier Station; resurfacing of road between Sylvan Pass and Lake Butte; employee apartments at Lake; wayside exhibit at Norris; fire lookout in the **Bechler** region.

File "D30 Roads and Trails-General 1966"

Contains: copy of the YNP Road System Review-Preliminary Draft August 1966, by Clarkson, Clough, and Yokel, consulting engineers; correspondence regarding the closure of section of park road near the Madison River; memo on Federal Aid Highway Act of 1966 with new section on preservation of parklands; memo on snow removal in Mammoth, Gardiner, and Mammoth-Cooke City Road; ...memo suggesting closure of the Natural Bridge, Lone Star, and Fountain Freight roads due to deteriorating road conditions; memo outlining roadside maintenance standards; letter regarding proposed park entrance road from Idaho through the **Bechler** area; memo on preliminary drawing for the South Rim Trail at Canyon; memo regarding drawings for underground electrical connections at Mammoth Hot Springs.

#### **Box D-204-Surveyor's and engineer's field books for various projects, 1965-1981**

File "Package 229 **Bechler**, Northeast Entrance, Beartooth, Apollinaris, Lamar Road Camp"

File "Package 229 **Bechler**, Northeast Entrance, Beartooth, Apollinaris, Lamar Road Camp"

Surveys on water systems projects from July-October 1979; June-August 1980. Black cover.

**Box D-221--This box is copied from the National Archives Record Group 79 in Kansas City.**

File - "630 Roads Vol. 4 July 1, 1949 thru"

This file is copied from the National Archives Record Group 79, National Parks & Monuments, Central Classified Files, Box 139. It contains correspondence regarding resurfacing of some park roads, top soil and seeding along roadways, contracts & wage lists for construction projects, architectural plans, Yellowstone Road System Plan, alignments of the Norris-Canyon road in conjunction with the construction of Canyon Village, building the roads in Canyon Campground, development of Canyon Village itself. There is also correspondence regarding the hauling of mining ore from the Horseshoe Mountains Mining District over the Slough Creek Road, and a 1950 letter from George Pierce requesting permission to build a toll road up **Bechler** River Canyon, 1949 letters to several congressmen and the Bighorn Basin Clubs transmitting the final report on plowing roads in winter.

**Box D-225--Copies of Yellowstone-related records from the National Archives and Records Administration, Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.**

File "660-05 Proposed Irrigation Proj. Report"

This file is copied from the National Archives Record Group 79, National Parks & Monuments, Central Classified Files, Box 144. It contains an undated, untitled report (but probably written 1937 or 1938) about the proposed irrigation projects for both **Bechler** Meadows and the Yellowstone Lake, from the 1920s and 1930s. The report is historical in nature, seems to have been written as background for the 1938 irrigation dam controversy, and strongly argues against the dams.

**Box D-228-Yellowstone-related records copied from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.**

File "D5015 Book 9, September 1959 to January 1960"

This file is copied from Record Group 79, General Files. It contains correspondence re: location plans of telephone lines, military equipment, capital investment by the Montana Power Company, drawings in the Canyon area power distribution, Montana Power Company contract, Mammoth electric distribution system, and the road at **Bechler** River.

**Box D-239-Copies of Yellowstone related records from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.**

File "D18 Book #6 Jan. 1962 - Jan. 1963": This file is from Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service, Region II (Midwest Region), General Files. It contains correspondence on: construction projects and master plans (Tower Junction development, Mammoth residential area, employee housing at Mammoth, clinic at Mammoth, rehabilitation of Mammoth storehouse yard, Upper Canyon areas, research center at Lamar Ranger Station, East Entrance development, Lewis Lake and Pebble Creek campgrounds, Indian Creek campground, minor and outlying campgrounds, Norris campground, Grant

Village concession area, Fishing Bridge Village, Bridge Bay Marina, Madison Junction utilities, interpretive facilities, **Bechler** Ranger Station); proposed acquisition of Yellowstone Park Company buildings at the Gardiner entrance...

**Box D-245-Copies of Yellowstone related records from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.**

File "D18 #7 Jan. 1963 - Jan. 1964": This file is from Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service, Region II (Midwest Region), General Files. It contains correspondence on: master plan construction drawings (Bridge Bay area, West Entrance, Grant Village, Stevens Creek, Lamar Research Station, Fishing Bridge, North Entrance, Northeast Entrance, East Entrance, **Bechler** area, Mammoth housing area; ... Most correspondence is to/from: NPS Director, Regional Director, Yellowstone superintendent, landscape architects, Chief of Design and Construction.

**Box D-249-Files from Rick Cronenberger, Historical Architect, National Park Service Intermountain Region, Denver; general maintenance and development records**

The first two files in this box were transferred to the Archives in January 2005 by Rick Cronenberger, Historical Architect, National Park Service Intermountain Region, Denver. They document various projects in Yellowstone from 1982 to 2000. The remaining files are general maintenance and development records also received in January 2005.

File "Wildland-Urban Interface Fuels Management Project--**Bechler** River Soldier Station Historic District": This file includes: a letter from the park to the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office; Cultural Landscape Inventory, Level I; Wildland Urban Interface Treatment Plan; history of the **Bechler** River Ranger Station; historic structure survey forms; archeological inventory. Documents in this file are dated 2004-2005.

**Box H-24**

File "H30 Historic Sites & Structures Management and Preservation 1979": Memoes and correspondence regarding: fire stairs at Lake Hotel and Old Faithful Inn; water systems at **Bechler** ranger station and Lamar ranger station, and possible archaeological sites; request to prepare Historic Structure Reports for Lake Lodge, Lake Hotel, Roosevelt Lodge, and Fishing Bridge; request to review nomination of Fort Yellowstone - Mammoth Hot Springs as a National Historic District; comment on various archaeological sites; request to build temporary lumber shed at Mammoth; "Draft Task Directive, Package No. 620," on rehabilitation of Old Faithful Inn; plans to construct new doors in Administration Building

**Box K-90**

File - "D-66 WAYSIDE EXHIBITS & SIGNS - - GENERAL"

[Contains: letter describing Permaloy - a sign material; memo concerning sign meeting of May 16 (1985); memo to chief, Branch of Wayside Exhibits, Harpers Ferry Center concerning interpretive/trailhead wayside exhibit list; memo concerning signs suggested for Canyon; Wayside Exhibit Materials; Drawings for Wayside Exhibits, designer Feaser, 1971; YELL- Waysides, 1971

Priority List and includes costs, maps, and drawings; memo concerning USGS Project - elevation changes; Existing Wayside Exhibits December 1976; memo concerning donation by The Yellowstone Library and Museum Association; memo concerning interpretive sign for **Bechler** Ranger Station

### **Box L-5--Water rights, 1928-1939**

File "Irrigation"

There are two folders marked "Irrigation." One document is the [older type of] file "Irrigation (General) 1928 Jan. 1, 1928 to Dec. 31, 1935." In addition to correspondence, this file has blueprints showing maps of the proposed areas. There is an article from the National Waltonian from July, 1933 describing the threat of the dam(s). More articles on the subject are from the Burley (Ida.) Herald (December 1, 1932), the Pocatello Tribune (September 9, 1932), the Jackson's Hole Courier (August 11, 1932, February 23, 1928, January 26, 1928), Idaho Falls Post-Register (July 6, 1932). There are several articles from Idaho newspapers describing the visit of the U.S. Commissioner to Idaho. Further articles describe the death of the proposed **Bechler** Basin reservoir. There are also several letters to/from the "current" Superintendent, Roger Toll regarding the dam and negotiations between Idaho/Wyoming and Wyoming/Montana. Some other correspondents included Horace Albright and Dr. Meed.

### **Box L-19--Lands and Recreational Planning. Water matters**

Misc. files concerning irrigation issues of Yellowstone Lake and River, Jackson Lake, **Bechler** area in 1920s.

### **Box L-69--Environmental impact statements, 1970s-1990s.**

File "EIS-Environmental Assessment"

Contains letters and memos regarding the following Environmental Assessments: restoration of Gardiner addition (1995); Madison warming hut 1993; Norris Housing Area; maintenance garage project 1986; installing seismograph stations in Grand Teton 1985; 1984 laundry and boiler study and Gardiner water system study; use of the abandoned Yellowstone Branch Line Railroad Right-of-way from Warm River, ID to West Yellowstone, MT (1984)(Includes the supplemental EA); **Bechler** Ranger Station water system; introducing walleye into Dailey Lake (1977); powerline construction along the West Boundary 1976; replacement of Golden Gate Bridge 1975 (EA itself included); and construction of Bridge Bay marina concessioner store (n.d.; EA itself included).

### **Box L-70-Place names, recreational activities, land acquisition**

File "Geographic Place Names"

This file was received from the Yellowstone Center for Resources. It contains correspondence on changes in place names, including documentation on approved place names including: Dailey Creek; Hornaday Creek; Indian Pond; Midway Bluff; Nez Perce Ford. Proposed but not approved place names include: Crescent Lake; Fan Creek; Monitor Group; Roger's Glen; Meadows Group; WASO Group; YACC Group; Bench Group; Elk Antler Group; Falls Group; **Bechler** Ford Group; Robinson Creek Group. Dates: 1979-1981.

**Box L-71--Airfield sites, lands (general), boundaries, water rights, parking areas, cemetery sites 1931-1962**

Copies of Yellowstone-related records from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.

File "660-05.7 Water Rights"

This file is copied from Record Group 79, National Parks and Monuments, Central Classified Files, Box 144. It contains correspondence and memoranda regarding water rights and water systems in the park. Specific topics include: water systems at Canyon; water rights in Reese Creek-Stevens Creek area; use of Gardiner River Ditch by Gardiner Electric Light and Water Company; proposed diversion of water from Yellowstone Lake; proposed reservoirs in the **Bechler** area. Most letters and memos are to/from: NPS Director; NPS Regional Director; NPS attorneys; Secretary of Interior; Yellowstone Superintendent; conservation organizations. Dates: 1937-1952.

**Box N-26--Weather, climate 1948-1953**

File "Weekly Weather Reports 1949-1950 (1 of 2)"

This file contains the Weekly Record of Climatological Observations for each area of the park (Mammoth, **Bechler**, Lake.) Information includes high and low temperature, precipitation, level of snow/sleet/hail/ice on the ground, and basic weather information.

**Box N-41--Fisheries, planting records; annual reports; general correspondence. Dates: 1916-1943.**

File "Yellowstone National Park, Fish Plant Record, Streams 1930-1943"

This is a record of fish planted in park waters for those dates. There are sections for the **Bechler**, Gallatin, Gardiner, Lamar, Madison, Snake, Yellowstone Drainages.

File "Yellowstone National Park, Fish Plant Record, Lakes 1930-1940"

This is a record of fish planted in park waters for those dates. There are sections for the Yellowstone, **Bechler**, Gallatin, Gardiner, Lamar, Madison, and Snake Drainages and for Yellowstone Lake.

**W Series: Law Enforcement files may be restricted and are subject to redaction prior to viewing according to privacy laws.**

**Box W-19--Ranger Station Daily Log Books**

-**Bechler** Ranger Station, 1943-1958

**Box W-73--Rangers Monthly "Seasonal" Reports, 1920-1929**

File "1924-1925 Tower Falls, Lake, Hell Roaring and **Bechler** Stations' Ranger Reports"

This file contains monthly reports from different park areas in the years 1924-1925. Some of the areas include Tower Falls, **Bechler** Station, Lake Station, Hell Roaring Station. Reports include information on

the rangers' activities each day, how many animals they saw, and where they traveled. The rangers from **Bechler** and Hell Roaring Station provides detailed, handwritten reports of the wildlife he has seen while on duty. Rangers include: C Dunruef, R. Ferguson.

File "1924-1925 Lamar River Patrol, Fountain Park Ranger Station, Soda Butte Station, Norris Station, West District"

This file contains monthly reports from different park areas in the years 1924-1925 (not all months are covered.) Some of the areas include Lamar River Patrol, Fountain Park Ranger Station, Soda Butte Station, Norris Station, and West District. Reports from Delmar are labeled both Fountain Park and **Bechler** Station so some reports may appear in the "1924-1925 Tower Falls, Lake, Hell Roaring and **Bechler** Stations' Ranger Reports" file. Rangers include, M. Ferguson, J. Delmar, E. Cogswell, F. Carter.

### **Box W-74--Park Rangers Daily Log Sheets. December 1926-September 1928**

This box contains Department of the Interior Monthly Ranger Reports for Yellowstone National Park from December, 1926-October, 1928. Each day the ranger from a station would record his own movements, the number of game seen, the condition the game was in, and the weather including temperature for the day. There is also a place for additional comments. Stations include Old Faithful, Snake River, Gallatin, **Bechler** River, Crevice and Hellroaring, Riverside, Lake, and Tower Falls.

### **Box W-75--Ranger Monthly Narratives, 1959-1964**

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '59"

This file contains 1959 monthly reports from various Sub-District Rangers (West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, **Bechler**). Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, thermal observations, and staff activities.

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '60"

This file contains 1960 monthly reports from various Sub-District Rangers (West Entrance/West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, **Bechler**). Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, thermal observations, and staff activities.

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '61"

This file contains 1961 monthly reports from various Sub-District Rangers (West Entrance/West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, **Bechler**, Madison). Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, thermal observations, and staff activities.

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '62"

This file contains 1962 monthly reports from the West District Ranger and various Sub-District (West Entrance/West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, **Bechler**, Madison) Rangers. Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, thermal observations, and staff activities.

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '63"

This file contains 1963 monthly reports from the West District Ranger and various Sub-District (West Entrance/West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, **Bechler**, Madison) Rangers. Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, thermal observations, and staff activities.

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '64"

This file contains 1964 monthly reports from the West District Ranger and various Sub-District (West Entrance/West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, **Bechler**, Madison) Rangers. Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, thermal observations, and staff activities.

### **Box W-76--Ranger Monthly Narratives, 1965-1967**

File "A2615 Ranger Monthly Narrative '65"

This file contains monthly reports from the West District Ranger and various Sub-District Rangers (West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, Madison, **Bechler**). Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, and staff activities.

File "A2615 Reports (Monthly)-Ranger Activities-thru June 1966"

This file contains monthly reports from the Chief Ranger, District Rangers (South, North, West) and Sub-District Rangers (Lamar, Madison, Old Faithful, West Yellowstone, **Bechler**, Tower). Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, and staff activities. File also contains various other monthly reports from: Biologist, Forester, Law Enforcement Officer.

File "A2615 Reports, Monthly-Ranger Activities-1965"

This file contains monthly reports from the Chief Ranger, various District Rangers (North, South, West), and various Sub-District Rangers (**Bechler**, Old Faithful, Mammoth, Madison). Reports document weather conditions, travel statistics, special events, wildlife observations, and staff activities. The Old Faithful Sub-District Ranger August 1965 report includes a reference to the "IPIOF Club." File also contains various other monthly reports from: Law Enforcement Officer, Biologist, Forester.

### **Box W-87--Law Enforcement Division: Rangers Monthly Reports, Bechler District, 1935-1963**

### **Box W-93-Rangers' Monthly Narrative Reports, West District, 1965-1972**

These reports contain information on weather; personnel; accidents and injuries reported; law enforcement and investigation; written warnings; assistance to visitors; permits issued; vehicle mileage; forest fires; wildlife observations and incidents; training; resource planning and conservation activities. Reports from West District and the Sub-districts of Madison, West Yellowstone, **Bechler**, and Old Faithful.

File "1965-1967"

File "1968-1970"

File "1971-1972"

### **Box W-197**

File - "A36 - Complaints" [1990-1991 memo from Ridly concerning Complaint by Fife about **Bechler**, camping reservations through Ticketron, ... pack trip to **Bechler**, Huang ...

### **Box W-214---**

File "W. Use-West District"---Contains the West district mapping and winter use plan, including the **Bechler** and Gallatin areas. Includes these 15 minute topographical maps, West Yellowstone Quadrangle, Grassy Lake Reservoir, Warm River Butte, Madison Junction, Old Faithful, Tepee Creek, Crown Butte, Norris Junction, and Mount Holmes.

### **Box W-235--Chief Ranger's Office files**

Climate and weather records, 1973-1989

Files 1976-1983, 1986, & 1989 contain **Bechler** Record of Climatological Observations

Contains: monthly weather observation forms recording high and low temperatures, precipitation, general conditions. Readings taken at Mammoth, Snake River, Lake, Tower, Lamar, Old Faithful, **Bechler** (not all forms for each month and station are present).

### **Dale Nuss Papers**

Dale H. Nuss was born in 1925 in Kansas City, Missouri. He grew up near the East Entrance to Yellowstone National Park, where his father worked at Pahaska Teepee. In 1931 Dale began accompanying his father on two-month long horseback tours of the park as part of a boy's camp based at Pahaska Teepee.

After serving with the U.S. Army Air Corps in Europe during World War II, Nuss worked as a seasonal fire control aid and seasonal park ranger in Yellowstone in 1947-1948. After working as a park ranger at Shenandoah National Park, Nuss returned to Yellowstone as a permanent employee in 1953 and remained until his retirement in 1980.

During his long career in Yellowstone, Nuss worked as a park ranger at Old Faithful, **Bechler**, Mammoth, Northeast Entrance, and Lake. He served as West District Ranger, South District Ranger, North District Ranger, Assistant Chief Ranger, as well as a specialist in forestry, fire management, and bear management. Nuss was involved in most aspects of park management, particularly the elk reduction program of the 1960s, which he supervised. Nuss currently lives near Bozeman, Montana.

These journals contain information on daily activities, both work-related and personal. Most entries are handwritten. 1964-1974

**Oral History 05-1--Interview with Dale Nuss-** This interview was conducted by Bob Haraden (Yellowstone Assistant Superintendent, 1972-1978) on April 13, 1989 at Nuss's home near Bozeman, Montana. There are two tapes.

**Oral History 05-8-Interview with Dale Nuss-** This interview was conducted by Sally Plumb on July 23, 1999 at Nuss's home near Bozeman, Montana. Two tapes. Transcript and biographical information in Documentation Box 3.

## **Natural History References:**

### **RG 15 Fisheries**

Contains Volunteer Angler Reports (VAR) for fishing and includes VAR cards regarding **Bechler** River for 1973-2004 (bulk dates).

### **Box N-9--Monthly Game Ranch reports, 1937-1939; wildlife reports, 1957-1964.**

File "N16 Wildlife Management: General 1957-1962"

...This file also includes correspondence on: wildlife management orientation presented to Yellowstone NPS employees and their families; tranquilizers for animals; publicity on wildlife management (elk reduction); elk reduction program; elk migration; hunting within national parks; study by the Conservation Foundation of interrelationships between man and the natural environment in the national parks; 1962 "Show Me" trip on the winter range of Yellowstone's northern elk herd; 1962 inter-agency meeting at Canyon Village to discuss Northern Yellowstone elk management plans; unverified observation of wolverines at **Bechler** Meadows; proposal for releasing wolves, mountain lions, and wolverines in Yellowstone. Most correspondence is to/from: NPS Director, Regional Director, Yellowstone superintendent, Yellowstone biologists, representatives of conservation groups and related agencies.

### **Box N-15--Research Division**

File "710-01 Annual Wildlife Census 1950-1953"

This file contains wildlife census reports from various districts of the park (Canyon, Snake River, West Yellowstone, Mammoth, **Bechler**, Tower, Old Faithful) and parkwide wildlife and wildlife census reports for those years.

### **Box N-26--Weather, climate 1948-1953**

File "Weekly Weather Reports 1949-1950 (1 of 2)"

This file contains the Weekly Record of Climatological Observations for each area of the park (Mammoth, **Bechler**, Lake.) Information includes high and low temperature, precipitation, level of snow/sleet/hail/ice on the ground, and basic weather information.

### **Box N-41--Fisheries, planting records; annual reports; general correspondence. Dates: 1916-1943.**

File "Yellowstone National Park, Fish Plant Record, Streams 1930-1943"

This is a record of fish planted in park waters for those dates. There are sections for the **Bechler**, Gallatin, Gardiner, Lamar, Madison, Snake, Yellowstone Drainages.

File "Yellowstone National Park, Fish Plant Record, Lakes 1930-1940"

This is a record of fish planted in park waters for those dates. There are sections for the Yellowstone, **Bechler**, Gallatin, Gardiner, Lamar, Madison, and Snake Drainages and for Yellowstone Lake.

#### **Box N-61--Research Department, Bears, Personal Injuries, 1957-1961**

File "Bear Injury 1957"

This file contains "Individual Bear Injury Report" forms and a log of reports filed. Some reports include supplemental memos or narrative statements.

File "1958 Report of Personal Injury, Bear Caused"

This file contains "Individual Bear Injury Report" forms and "Report of Personal Injury, Bear Caused" forms from 1958. Some reports include supplemental narrative statements. File also includes a log of reports filed.

File "N1427 Report of Personal Injury, Bear-Caused, W-2, 1959"

This file contains "Report of Personal Injury, Bear Caused" forms from 1959 and a log of reports filed. Some reports include supplemental narrative statements.

File "N1427 (YEL 372) Personal Injury, Bear Caused 1960"

This file contains "Individual Bear Injury Report" forms and "Report of Personal Injury, Bear Caused" forms from 1960. File also includes: a log of reports filed, narrative report on bear incident at **Bechler Meadows**, list of injuries by location, alphabetical list of persons injured by bears.

#### **Box N-119--Letters and memos re: wildlife and geology, 1965-1991**

File "#2"---Contains correspondence and memorandum regarding the annual wildlife report, May 1, 1973 to April 30, 1974; Lewis Regenstein, et al. v. Jack Anderson, et al.; a 3 day field trip to the **Bechler Canyon** with Roderick Hutchinson...

#### **Box N-124--Research 1978-88**

"N22 Clark, Richard Trophic Levels" 1986 Algal flora of **Bechler**

#### **Box N-237--Geology, seismology, correspondence on biological topics 1961-1990**

File "N30 - GEOLOGICAL FEATURES & STUDY." (1973-1985) [part 2 of 2]

Letter from Linda Miller to Peter Berry on science fair projects (1979); letter from Alan Mebane to Ben Thorpe (1979) on New Zealand geysers and geothermal power developments; letter from Linda Miller to K.R. Cranson (1979); letter from K.R. Cranson to Yellowstone National Park (1979); letter from R. Alan Mebane to Londa Owen on geothermal energy (1979); letter from Londa Owen to Yellowstone National Park on geothermal energy (1975); letter from Rick Hutchinson to Missy Stober on geysers and thermal areas (1979); letter from Gail Nishioka on a term paper on the geology of Yellowstone (1979); letter from

Margaret Short and Rick Hutchinson to Sue Kieffer on a study of geyser eruption dynamics (1978); ... memorandum from Rick Hutchinson concerning the Firehole River temperature survey (1976); memorandum from Rick Hutchinson concerning the **Bechler** Canyon hot springs (mentions 2 eruptions of Union Geyser) (1975)...

#### **Box N-247**

File "N22 - PERKES, Robert R. **Bechler** River." (1986-1990). Research forms: "Insect and species baseline study above Three River Junction in Yellowstone National Park" (Robert Perkes, Gary Booth, 1990, 1989); "Survey of aquatic insects in the rivers above Three River Junction (Robert Perkes, Gary Booth, 1987, 1986).

#### **Box N-347--Bison and bighorn sheep, 1950s-1990s.**

File "Bison-Monitoring-Flight/Ground Counts"

Contains records of bison counts from 1979 through 1995 (not inclusive), a list of all bison herds in the U.S. in 1965; report of bison in **Bechler** in 1964; and census of all bison in U.S. in 1934.

#### **Box N-379-Files from the Yellowstone Center for Resources.**

File "Weeds - Control"

Contains: memo from Chief of Park Maintenance regarding exotic plants and weed control, Nov 1995, and related paperwork; weed update from Terry Cacek, Oct 1995; "Techniques for Monitoring Exotic Plant Invasions Along Roads in Yellowstone National Park" by Suvi A. Scott, June 1995; exotic weed program costs sheet, 1994; letter from Superintendent Bob Barbee to Targhee National Forest regarding attached report, "Scoping Document: Noxious Weed and Poisonous Plant Control Program, Targhee National Forest," Nov 1992; memo regarding Mini Exotic Vegetation Summit, Jan 1994; memo regarding exotic vegetation mitigation funding, Jan 1993; "New Management Methods for Leafy Spurge in Yellowstone National Park" by Dylan Kuhn et al, Dec 1992; letters from Jim Free to Jim Sweeney regarding weed control and GYA Weed Committee, Dec 1989 and June 1991; "Exotic Plant Survey: **Bechler** Subdistrict," Aug 1989; ...

#### **Boxes N-422-441--Files from the Bear Management Office: 1984-1999**

These records are the Bear Management files. Types of files include Bear Sighting and/or Identification Reports, Flight Reports and Special Bear Observation Reports. All Bear Sighting and/or Identification Reports are classified by location and type of bear.

File " **Bechler** Sightings - Black"

File "**Bechler** Sightings - Grizzly"

File "**Bechler** Sightings - Unknown"

File "Special Bear Observation Report - West area to **Bechler** area" (box N-422 only)

#### **Box Y-241--Insect infestations and surveys**

File "883-06 - Insect Infestations & Surveys 1930-1949 Part 1 of 2." Includes: "Epidemic of *Dendroctonus Monticolae* Resulting from Broods Breeding in Sugar Pine Slash - Big Creek Basin,

Stanislaus National Forest, California" 1934; "Forest Problems in Eastern National Parks" 1934 (2 copies); "Plan and Instructions for the Proposed Timber and Insect Survey to be Undertaken in Yellowstone National Park" 1930 (2 copies); "Annual Forest Insect Report for Yellowstone National Park" 1933; "Plan and Instructions for the **Bechler** River Mountain Pine Beetle Control Project" 1931; "Final Report Insect Control Project" 1934; tree preservation bulletins #1 and 2, purpose and policy 1938; farmers' bulletin #1398 "Currants and Gooseberries: their culture and relation to white-pine blister rust" 1946; farmers' bulletin #1885 "Treatment of White Pines Infected With Blister Rust" 1942; "The Social Management of American Forests" 1930.

File "883-06 - Insect Infestations & Surveys 1930-1949 Part 2 of 2." Includes: "Project Instruction for Yellowstone Park Forest Insect and Type Map Survey" 1931 (2 copies, both marked "incomplete"); "Report Covering the Survey of the Mountain Pine Beetle Infestation on the Gallatin National Forest" 1934; "Yellowstone National Park Annual Forest Insect Report" 1938; "Report on **Bechler** River Mountain Pine Beetle Control Project for 1931" (2 copies); "Report of Forest Pest Fund Activities" 1949; "Black Hills Insect Control Project 1948."

### **Box Y-258**

File "Fire Lookout Plans and Specific. 1949-1966"

Contains correspondence, memoranda, and other documents on lookout locations; construction proposals; average snowdrift depths for **Bechler** River, Snake River, Gallatin, Buffalo Ranch, and Mammoth Stations, 1919-1943; wind velocities at **Bechler** Station, 1956-1965; snow depth and water content for 1955-56 at Snake River and Aster Creek; bid form for Divide Creek lookout; National Park Service use of Hominy Lookout in Targhee National Forest; lightning protection.

### **Box Y-266-1966-1976 weather data, 1977 suppressed fires, 1978 natural fires, 1978 suppressed fires**

File "COM Firdat Data Yell. 72, 74, 73, 75"

Contains weather data forms for Mt. Sheridan (July-August 1967, August 1968, July-August 1970, July-August 1971, July-August 1972, August 1974, July-September 1975); Pelican Cone (July-August 1966, July and September 1970, July-August 1972, July-August 1973, July-September 1974, July-September 1975); Mammoth (September 1967, July and September 1968, July 1969, June-October 1970, June-October 1971, June-September 1972, June-September 1973, July-October 1974; June-September 1975); Old Faithful (February 1967, June 1968, July-August and October 1969, June-September 1970, June 1971, July-September 1972, July-September 1973, July-September 1974, June-September 1975, July 1976); Mt. Holmes (July-September 1970, July-August 1971, July-August 1972, July-August 1973, July-August 1975); **Bechler** (August 1969, (July-August 1971, July-August 1976. The forms list temperature, humidity, precipitation, wind velocity and direction, etc.

### **Box Y-273**

two reports titled, "Report of **Bechler** River Mountain Pine Beetle Infestation, 1931", and "Plan for 1932 Check Surveys of Mountain Pine Beetle Infested Areas in Yellowstone National Park".

### **Box Y-274**

There are a number of loose reports contained in this box. Listed chronologically.  
Plan and Instructions for the **Bechler** River Mountain Pine Beetle Control Project, 1931  
Report on **Bechler** River Mountain Pine Beetle Control Project for 1931

By Fred T. Johnston and George F. Baggley (includes actual photos of various phases of control operations)

**Box Y-287**--This box contains files copied from the National Archives and Records Administration, Central Plains Regional Office, Kansas City, Missouri.

File "883-06 Insect Infestation"

These records were copied from Record Group 79, National Parks & Monuments, Central Classified Files, Box 153. ... defoliation in the **Bechler** area, commentary on Evenden's report "Status of Forest Insect Conditions," and insect control policy.

### **Box Y-295-Records from the Fire Cache on 2000-2002 fires**

File "Fires of 2000 (File 3 of 3)"

Contains fire reports and other information on fires of 2000: Astringent, Bridge, Enos, Thumb, Boundary, Mallard, Spring, Glade, Crow, Substation, Basin, Stone, Hechtman. The file also includes: **Bechler** Ranger Station structure protection plan; miscellaneous 2000 fire information.

## **Ferris Fork**

**4982**--Sgt. Valentine Loeb reports on a geyser on Ferris Fork 1898

### **Box K-45**

Tim Thompson, "Ferris Pool," 9/8/98, with colorcopy photographs.

Tim Thompson, "Ferris Fork Thermal Area, Recent Changes," 9/7/98, with colorcopy photographs.

**W Series: Law Enforcement files may be restricted and are subject to redaction prior to viewing according to privacy laws.**

### **W-256**

File "Case Incident Reports/Search and Rescue, 1991-1996"

... suffered burns to both feet when he stepped into Ferris Fork hot spring on 8/29/91

## **Map References:**

Complete set Bechler, 1969	1969	USGS with notes	Collection of 15-minute maps, with notes. Includes: Grassy Lake Reservoir, West Thumb, Huckleberry Mountain, Old Faithful, Buffalo Lake, Warm River Butte.
[Bechler/Shoshone, 2 maps]	[n.d.]	n/a	Multicolored, hand drawn, pen on tissue paper. Title taken from handwritten notes on maps.
[Set of drawings related to Bechler region]	[n.d.]	n/a	Pencil drawings on transparent paper.
Complete set, 1971, Bechler MPB maps	1971	n/a	Thick paper. Drawings of mountain pine beetle infestation in Bechler
[Untitled map of Bechler Area streams and patrol cabins]	[n.d.]	n/a	
Bechler river area: Yellowstone National Park	1967	n/a	Red pencil drawings of regions, with 6 page memo attached about Mountain Pine Beetle survey
Bechler river area: Yellowstone National Park	[n.d.]	n/a	Torn bottom-right corner.
Bechler river area: Yellowstone National Park	1966	n/a	Attached is a list of notes and statistics about Mt. Pine Beetles "Survey- mountain pine beetle Bechler River Area, Yellowstone National Park". Red pencil drawings
Yellowstone Geological Maps- Topographic and Bathymetric	7/21/2001	Various	Areas include Mary Bay in Yellowstone Lake, Rainbow Hot Springs, Mud Volcano/Sour Lake area, Silver Scarf Thermal Area, Bechler Ford, Summit Lake. All maps are signed "DH 7/21/01" and include codes; other names listed D. Susong, K. Gutowski, F. Cassirer, B. Chesler, B. Lymburn, L. Heeks, L. Eisentrout,
(two-sided): How to get to Bechler R.S./Bechler trails &			Graph and drawing on orange graph paper
Base map-Bechler Ranger Station	7/84		Length/Width minus 8 x 10 section, upper left. Shows Billings, a few rivers and other
Bechler Falls, Wyo. - Idaho		Dunlop	Hand-drawn road map on one side. Hand-drawn & typed map on other.
Map-Bechler Ranger Station	May 79		Map shows quarters, sheds, generators, office, garage, gas storage & pump, barn.
Bechler Area Map		Henry	Aerial photograph, color IR. (infrared?)
UBCTA Yellowstone National	7/1980	NPS, Yellowstone National Park Research Office	Stadia surveyed 7/15-17/1980 by L. Heeks, D. Susong, L. Eisentrout; drawn by M. Wilson 7/22/80 Drawing No. 60,500, Sheet 1 of 2 original overlay

UBCTA [Upper Boundary Creek Thermal Area] Thermal Area Yellowstone National	7/1980	NPS, Yellows tone National Park Researc h Office	Stadia surveyed 7/15-17/1980 by L. Heeks, D. Susong; drawn by M. Wilson 7/23/80 Drawing No. 60,501, Sheet 2 of 2 original overlay
Meadows, South Annex Yellowstone National	7/1980	NPS, Yellows tone National Park Researc h Office	Stadia surveyed 7/22-23/1980 by D. Susong, B. Lymburn; drawn by M. Wilson 7/25/80 Drawing No. 60,502, Sheet 1 of _ original overlay
Meadows, North Annex Yellowstone National	7/1980	NPS, Yellows tone National Park Researc h Office	Stadia surveyed 7/23/1980 by B. Lymburn, D. Susong; drawn by M. Wilson 7/30/80 Drawing No. 60,503, Sheet 2 of _ original overlay
Middle [Boundary Creek Thermal Area] BCTA Yellowstone National Park	8/5/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Lymburn, D. Susong; drawn: D. Susong Drawing No. 60,504, Sheet 1 of _ original overlay
Silver Scarf Yellowstone National Park	9/16/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared D. Susong, K. Gutowsky, F. Cassirer; drawn by F. Cassirer, K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,505 original overlay
Silver Scarf Yellowstone National Park	9/18/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: D. Susong, K. Gutowsky, F. Cassirer; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,506 original overlay poor paper copy lacks labels, has notes
Silver Scarf Yellowstone National Park; South Annex	10/2/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared D. Susong, F. Cassirer; drawn by K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60507 original overlay one paper copy lacks labels; both have notes

3 Rivers Yellowstone National Park	9/18/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared D. Susong, K. Gutowski; drawn by K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,508 original overlay
3 Rivers Yellowstone National Park	9/12/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared D. Susong, K. Gutowski; drawn by K. Gutowski, B. Chesler Drawing No. 60,509 original overlay
3 Rivers Yellowstone National Park	9/17/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, F. Cassirer; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,510 original overlay
3 Rivers Yellowstone National Park	9/16/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: D. Susong, K. Gutowski; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,511 original overlay paper copy
3 Rivers Yellowstone National Park	9/16/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, D. Susong, F. Cassirer; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,512 original overlay
Lower BCTA Yellowstone National Park	9/16/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, F. Cassirer; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,513 original overlay paper copy
Lower BCTA Yellowstone National Park	9/16/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: F. Cassirer, B. Chesler; drawn: B. Chesler, K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,514 original overlay paper copy
Lower BCTA Yellowstone National Park	9/16/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, F. Cassirer; drawn: F. Cassirer Drawing No. 60,515 original overlay
Bechler Ford Yellowstone National Park	10/2/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, K. Gutowski; drawn: B. Chesler Drawing No. 60,516 original overlay paper copy lacks labels
Bechler Ford Yellowstone National Park	10/2/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, K. Gutowski; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,517 original overlay

Summit Lake Yellowstone National Park	9/26/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: K. Gutowski, B. Chesler; drawn: K. Gutowski Drawing No. 60,518 original overlay paper copy
Summit Lake Yellowstone National Park	[n.d.]	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: D. Susong, B. Chesler; drawn: B. Chesler Drawing No. 60,519 original overlay
Summit Lake Yellowstone National Park	[n.d.]	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: B. Chesler, F. Cassirer; drawn: F. Cassirer Drawing No. 60,520 original overlay
Summit Lake Yellowstone National Park	[n.d.]	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: K. Gutowski, B. Chesler; drawn: B. Chesler Drawing No. 60,521 original overlay
Robinson Creek Yellowstone National Park	[n.d.]	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: F. Cassirer, B. Chesler; drawn: B. Chesler Drawing No. 60,522 original overlay
Mountain Ash Yellowstone National Park	[n.d.]	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: F. Cassirer, B. Chesler; drawn: B. Chesler Drawing No. 60,523 original overlay
Mountain Ash Yellowstone National Park	10/15/80	NPS, Denver Service Center	Prepared: F. Cassirer, B. Chesler; drawn: F. Cassirer Drawing No. 60,524 original overlay
Seen Area Proposed Bechler	1965		
[Unpublished copy of National Archives map of Norris Geyser Basin, no date, probably 1886, by Walter Harvey Weed which includes his handwritten thermal additions to a printed map probably drawn by Arnold	[1886?]		Photocopy. Legend: direct view of area, overlook of aread, map of Bechler fire occurrence 1930-1965 with indications of how many fires were caused by lightning, smokers, campers
Yellowstone National Park, Seen Area Composite, Primary and Secondary	April 27, 1940	A.L. Haines	Stations: Mount Washburn, Pelican Cone, Mount Holmes, Mount Sheridan, Snake River, Bechler River, Riverside, Mount Norris, Bunsen Peak, Observation Peak, Galletin encapsulated in mylar

Yellowstone National Park, Seen Area Composite, Secondary Lookouts	April 26, 1940	A.L. Haines	Stations: Bunsen Peak, Riverside, Bechler River, Snake River, Mount Norris, Gallatin, Observation Peak encapsulated in mylar
Proposed Construction Projects Listed by Areas for YNP	[n.d.]	TW Services	Some water damage Has tabs Department of Interior, NPS no date, but CCC era lists projects: miscellaneous, outlying campgrounds, outlying picnic areas, roadside drinking fountains, outlying observation platforms, outlying roadside field exhibits, roadside parking areas, outlying ranger stations, patrol cabins, outlying government utility areas, road major and minor roads, trail projects, fire control, telephone and radio, inset control, fish and wild life, game ranch, North Entrance, Mammoth, Norris Junction, Madision Junction, West Entrance, Gallatin, Bechler River, Old Faithful, West Thumb, South Entrance, Lake and Fishing Bridge, East Entrance, Canyon, Tower Fall and Tower Function, Buffalo Ranch, Northeast Entrance.
"Bechler Area", Part of the Master Plan, Yellowstone National Park	3-63	United States Department of the Interior, NPS	Colored, condition - fair.
"Bechler Area", Part of the Master Plan, Yellowstone National Park	3-63	United States Department of the Interior, NPS	NP-YEL 6000 Condition - fair.
"Master Plan for the Preservation and Use of Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming", Volume 1, Chapter 5, Design Analysis, Drawing No. NP-YEL-6000,	March, 1963	William S. Rosenbergr, Landscap	Page 1, "26" in pencil bottom right, condition - good.

Volume 1, Chapter 5, Design Analysis, Bechler Area, Page 2	March, 1963	William S. Rosenber g,	Page 2, condition - good.
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