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Nebraska Wildland Fire Academy Offered April 26-May 4

LINCOLN, Neb.—The seventh annual Nebraska Wildland Fire Academy will offer both daytime and evening fire training classes, April 26-May 4, at Fort Robinson State Park near Crawford. Three new courses are scheduled, along with 17 leadership, skills and operations, incident management and expanded evening courses.

“The academy offers high quality wildland fire and incident management training at little or no cost to ensure we meet the fire training needs of Nebraska and the surrounding region,” said Casey McCoy, wildland fire training manager at the Nebraska Forest Service. “The evening courses are especially designed to better accommodate volunteer firefighters.”

Registration remains open for the 20 courses but class sizes are limited. Registration is \$20 per day. Payment must be made prior to attending a class. This year students may attend both day and evening courses, which begin at 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., respectively.

New courses: Wildland Fire Origin & Cause Determination; Single Engine Air Tanker Manager and Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior Calculations. Evening courses: Annual Fireline Safety Refresher; Look Up, Look Down, Look Around; Extended Attack Incident Commander; Advanced Firefighter; Basic Air Operations and Weather Spotter.

Lodging and meals are available at Fort Robinson for an additional charge. Privately owned vehicles are required to display a valid Nebraska State Park permit, which are available at the park. For more information on Fort Robinson, see the Nebraska Game and Parks website: outdoornebraska.ne.gov.

For more information about the Nebraska Wildland Fire Academy, contact Casey McCoy at 402-472-6634 or cmccoy3@unl.edu, or visit the Nebraska Forest Service website: <http://nfs.unl.edu/Fire/NWFA.asp>.

The academy is presented through a cooperative effort by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the Nebraska Forest Service, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, Nebraska Society of Fire Service Instructors, Nebraska State Fire Marshal’s Office and the USDA Forest Service.

The academy is also providing an opportunity for credentialing of Incident Management Team (IMT) trainees. The IMT will manage logistical, fiscal, planning, operational, safety and public information issues related to the academy.

The Nebraska Forest Service, an affiliate of the University of Nebraska, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR), works to enrich lives by protecting, restoring and utilizing Nebraska’s tree and forest resources.

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