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**Public Invited to Attend 2013 Annual Summit
Thursday, May 2, 2013 in Victor, Idaho**

The Western Greater Yellowstone Consortium invites interested parties to attend the 2013 Summit. The summit will share the status of this 3-year project focused on regional sustainability. Elected officials, community leaders, interested organizations and community members, and the media are invited to attend.

The Western Greater Yellowstone Consortium received a \$1.5 million grant in 2012 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The grant's purpose is to develop a coordinated, comprehensive approach to regional sustainable development. Transportation, housing, broadband services, and recycling projects support the grant's overall intent.

"The annual summit will provide an opportunity for residents of the region to learn the status of the sustainability project and hear about plans for upcoming events," said Tom Cluff, Administrator for the HUD grant. "Although different in many ways, the four counties are working together to develop a path into the future that will protect our region's special character."

The 2013 Summit will be held at the Wildwood Room, 7705 Lupine in Victor, Idaho on Thursday, May 2, 2013, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Those interested in attending are urged to register at <http://www.consortiumannualsummit.eventbrite.com> by Tuesday, April 30th. The event is free; lunch will be provided for registered participants.

Western Greater Yellowstone Consortium members include Fremont, Madison, and Teton counties in Idaho, Teton County, Wyoming, the cities of Ashton, Driggs, Island Park, Rexburg, St. Anthony, and Victor, Idaho and Jackson, Wyoming, the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho Department of Lands, and Yellowstone Business Partnership.

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