

# The '88 FIRES

## Yellowstone and Beyond



Jackson Hole, Wyoming | September 22–27, 2008

Join us in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the 1988 fires in Yellowstone and the northern Rocky Mountain area. Presented by the International Association of Wildland Fire and the National Park Service 9th Biennial Scientific Conference on the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem with the support of a consortium of partners.

Visit the conference webpage for registration and program information: [www.iawfonline.org/yellowstone/](http://www.iawfonline.org/yellowstone/).

### Overview

The diverse program includes an impressive list of invited speakers being held in an outstanding venue. The conference will feature more than 85 poster and 110 oral presentations, and several special sessions representing authors from all over the world.

We are pleased to announce that the Wildland Firefighter Foundation (<http://www.wffoundation.org/>) has been chosen as the designee for the philanthropic efforts tied to this event.

### Sessions

Discussions, presentations, and special sessions will focus on the following themes:

- Fire behavior, weather and fuels, including crown fire modeling, long-range fire behavior, weather forecasting, fuels, and fuels management.
- Fire ecology, including wildlife, water, aquatic systems, landscape ecology, and fire history.
- Fire management and policy, including fire suppression, operations, safety, and planning.
- Global trends: carbon, invasive species, climate change.
- Cultural and social perceptions of fire and the human interaction.

### Sessions of Note:

- A panel discussion on the recent push for criminal liability in fatality fires including legal implications for personnel in the Wildland Fire Service.
- “We Were There: Stories from the Fires of ‘88.” Come hear from the Incident Commanders and Area Commanders who managed the ‘88 fires in the Greater Yellowstone Area. There are lessons to be learned from the stories of those who were there, playing central roles in fire management.

A full schedule will be presented by August 10, 2008.

### Accommodations/Field Trips

Jackson Hole, Wyoming, is a spectacular venue for this event. Reservations and group rates at the beautiful conference site are only available by booking at [www.iawfonline.org/yellowstone/](http://www.iawfonline.org/yellowstone/). Take advantage of the early registration rate by registering prior to July 25th.

Post-conference field trips and workshops will be scheduled as well as family-friendly activities. So whether you were there in 1988 or not, join the “homecoming” to learn from the past, celebrate the present, and venture into the future!



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