



The Bozeman Trail

A Journey to National Historic Trail Designation

OUR
MONTANA
INC.



PARKS RIVERS
HISTORIC SITES
& TRAILS

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A Proposal to Request Designation
of the Bozeman Trail
as a National Historic Trail



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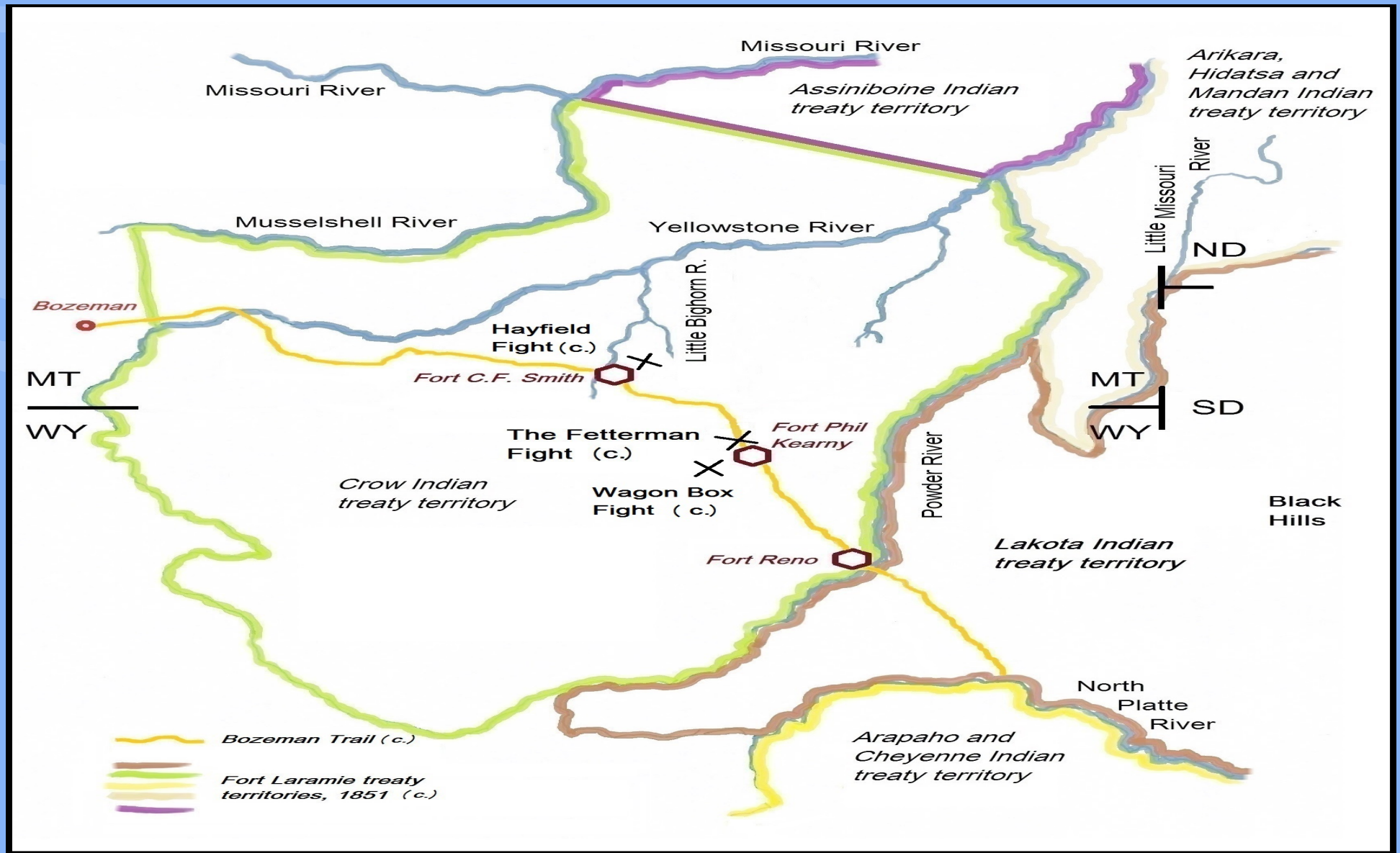
Keep our State Historic Sites Relevant into the Future



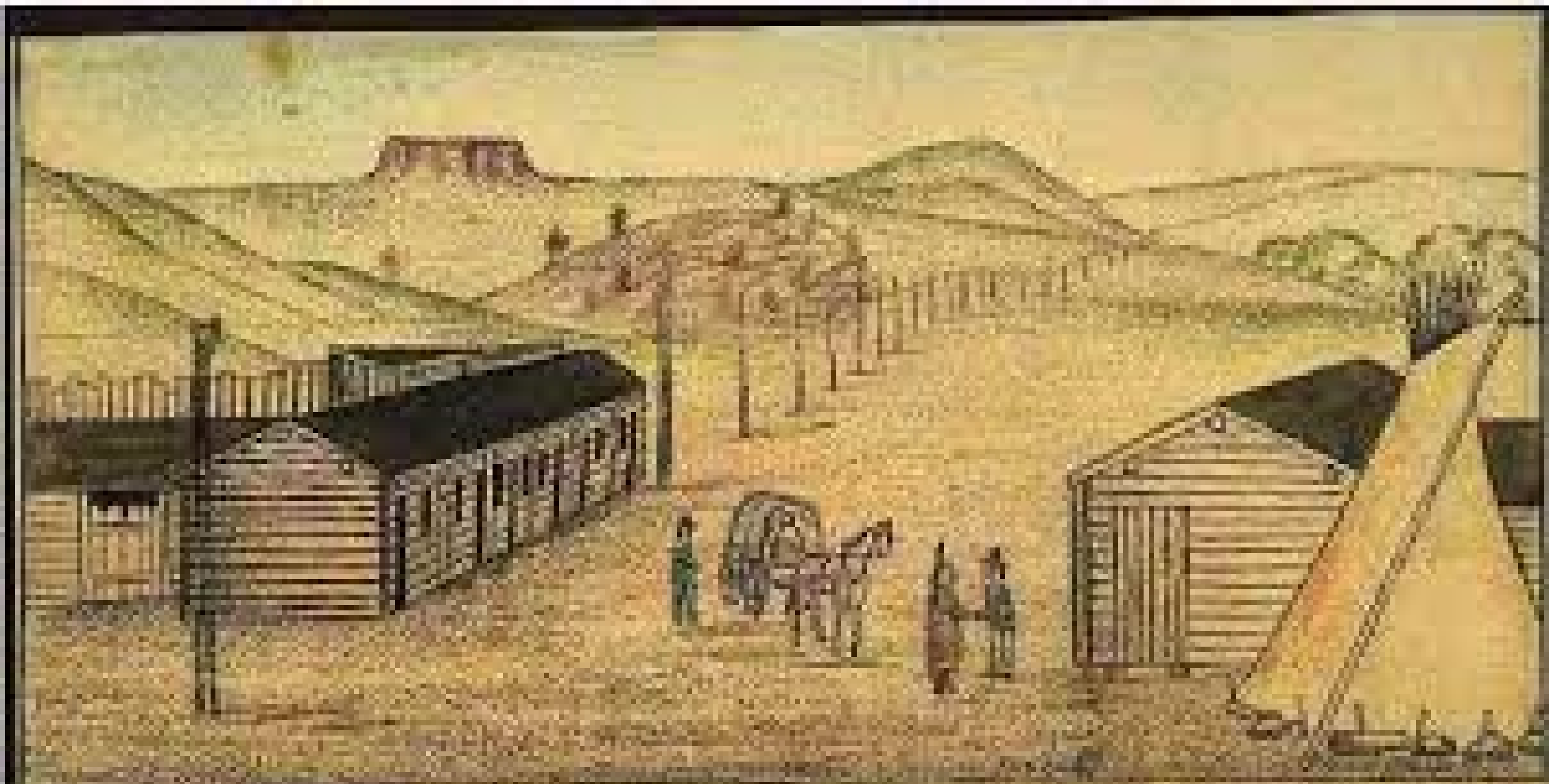
John Bozeman

1835 – 1867





Horse Creek (Fort Laramie) Treaty of 1851

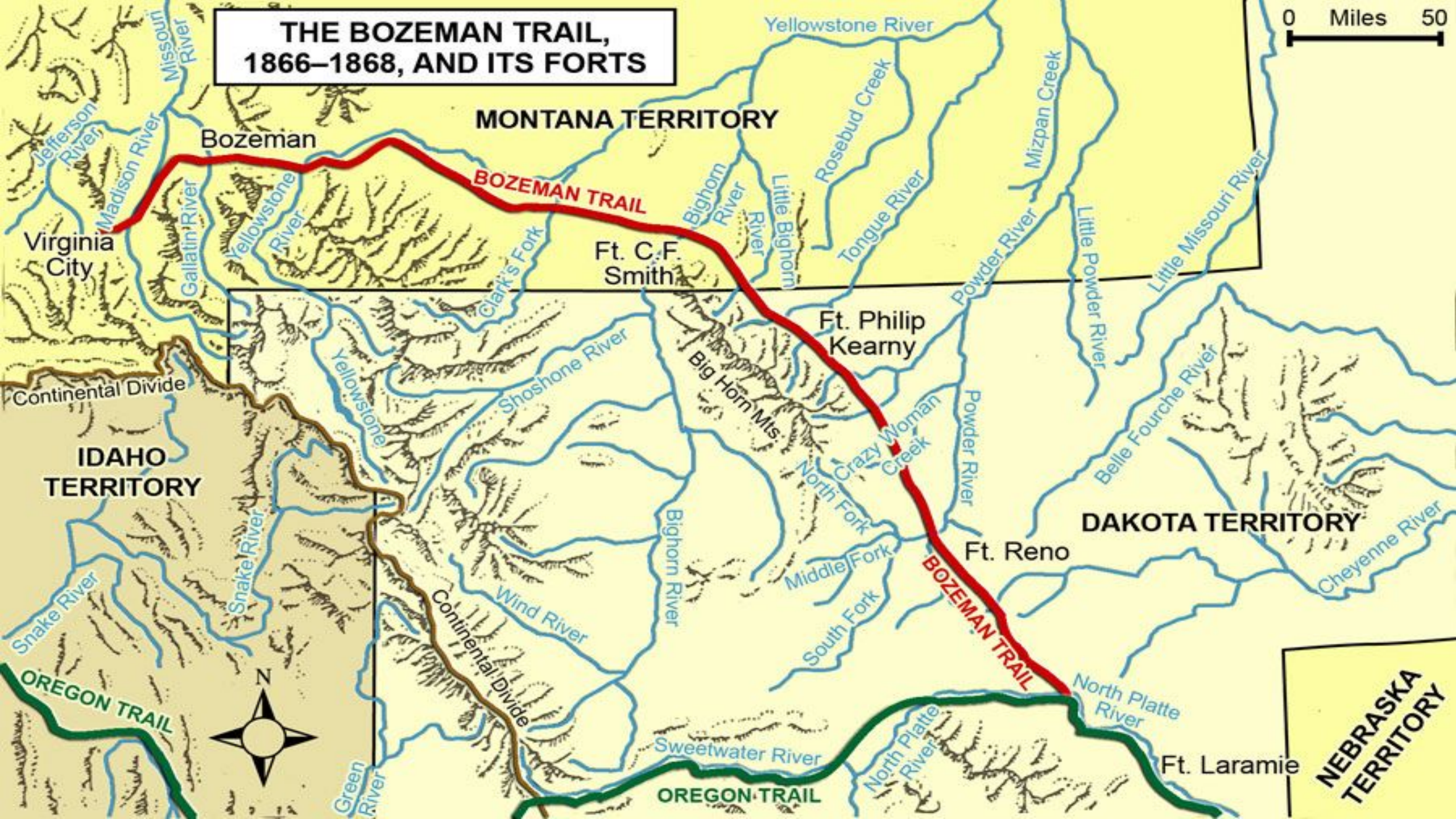


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THE BOZEMAN TRAIL, 1866-1868, AND ITS FORTS

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Bozeman

MONTANA TERRITORY

Virginia City

BOZEMAN TRAIL

Ft. C.F. Smith

Ft. Philip Kearny

DAKOTA TERRITORY

Ft. Reno

Ft. Laramie

NEBRASKA TERRITORY



OREGON TRAIL

IDAHO TERRITORY

OREGON TRAIL



Fort Phil Kearny



Tribal Alliance

- Lakota: Red Cloud, American Horse, High Backbone, Crazy Horse, Barve Heart Society
 - Northern Cheyenne: Dull Knife, Little Wolf, Crazy Dog Society
 - Northern Arapaho: Black Coal, Eagle, Little chief
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Red Cloud's War

1866 - 1868

- **Fetterman Battle** – December 21, 1866
- **Hayfield Fight** – August 1, 1867
- **Wagon Box Fight** – August 2, 1867
- **165 documented engagements**





Fetterman Battle - December 21, 1866

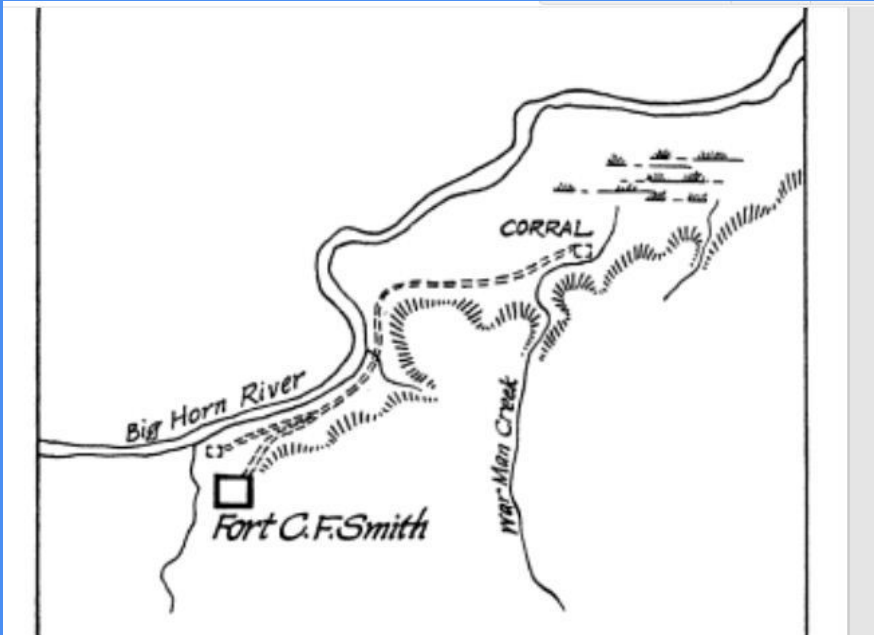
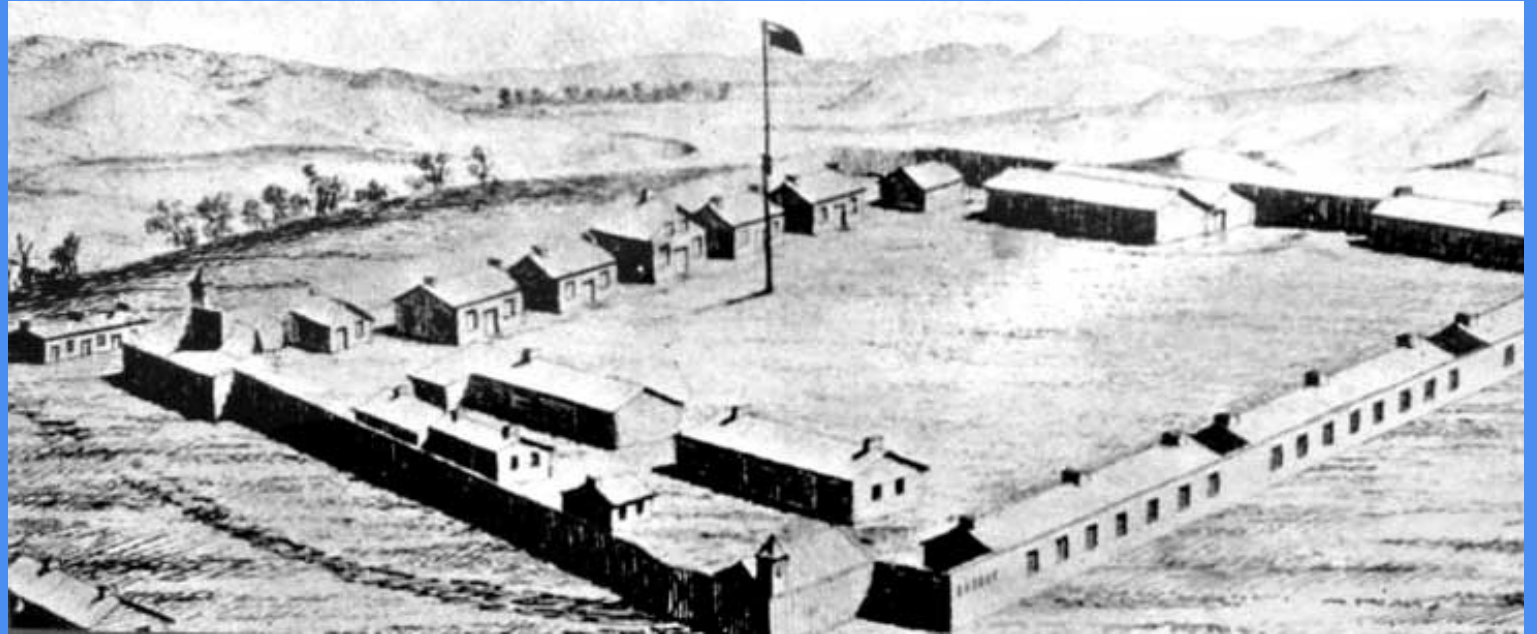


Battle of the
Hundred in
the Hand

December
21, 1866







Hayfield Fight - August 1, 1867

Fort C.F. Smith



Wagon Box Fight – August 2, 1867



Laramie Treaty of 1868



Dedication of
Fetterman
Battle
Monument

July 4th, 1908



Bozeman Trail Ruts



Wyoming State

Bozeman Trail Markers



DEER CREEK
STATION
1860



RESHAW'S
BRIDGE 1853-1866



Crazy Woman Crossing



Fort Reno



Fort Reno



Fort Phil Kearny



Fort Phil Kearny

National Historic Trail Designation Process

National Trail Act of 1968

1. Congressional Legislation:

Feasibility Study

2. Congressional Legislation:

Formal listing as National Historic Trail

Feasibility Study

- **Identify Continuous Route – Does not have to be intact**
- **National Historic Significance – Clash of Cultures: 2002**
- **Recreation and Education Opportunities**
- **Economic Benefits to Local Economies**

Proponents Objectives

- **No Land Acquisition**
- **No Federal Overreach on Private or State Lands**
- **Draw Visitors to Communities on the Interstate Corridor**
- **Utilize Chisholm Trail Legislation Model**

Public Outreach Goals

Ensure our communities are informed of our effort and intent

Garner understanding of the National Historic Trail designation process

Seek support for congressional legislation

Public Outreach Methods

Personal Contacts

News Release & Articles

Project Web Page

Project Email

Briefing Paper

Q & A Document

Bozeman Trail Historic Overview

Presentations

Site Visits by THPO Staffs

Public Outreach – Elected Officials

U.S Congressional Delegations

Governors Staffs

State Congressional Delegations

County Commissioners

Indian Tribes

Public Outreach - Industry

State and County Travel and Tourism Associations

Wyoming Stock Growers Association

Wyoming Petroleum and Mining Associations

Wyoming County Commissioners Association

Public Outreach - Organizations

Tribal Historic Preservation Officers & Tribal Elders

State and Local Historic Preservation Organizations

Trail Associations

Museums

Staffed Historic Sites

Historians

Public Outreach

Landowners

- **225 letters**
- **160 acres or larger**
- **Converse, Campbell,
Johnson, and Sheridan
Counties**

National Trails Act & Private Lands

Section 3(3) – Only those selected lands on Federally owned lands, and which meet national historic trails criteria are included as Federally protected components of a National Historic Trail

Section 5 (Designated National Historic Trails) - No land or interest in land outside the exterior boundaries of any federally administered area may be acquired by the Federal Government for the trail except with the consent of the owner of the land or interest in land.

Chisholm Trail Legislation

HR 8771 – 116th: Representative Ron Estes

S 4905 – 116th: Senator Jerry Moran

**** Additional Language to Protect Private Landowners**

BLM RMP'S

Designation of the Bozeman Trail as a National Historic Trail will not require revisions to BLM RMP's

The Bozeman Trail is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places

Protection Measures are in place for Bozeman Trail segments which contribute to the eligibility of the Bozeman Trail to the National Register of Historic Places

State Lands Guidelines

To be included in SHPO recommendations, trail segments must be intact, retain historic integrity and be within the parcel boundary.

Office of State Lands; Standard Stipulation 130 State Hist. Pres.Org.

Surface Occupancy or use within ¼ mile or visual horizon of any Historic Trail/Road, whichever is closer, may be restricted...unless consulting parties agree on an acceptable plan for mitigation...

How Can You
Help?

Letters of Support To:

- Congressional Delegation
- Cc: bozemannah@gmail.com
- Cc: Governor Gordon

Spread the Word

For More Information

www.fortphilkearny.com

Historical Information and Public Events

FPK/BTA Info

National Historic Trail Project

Project Documents

Sample Support Letters

Congressional Mailing Addresses

To Contact the NHT Committee

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Conclusion

We respectfully request your support for the Bozeman National Historic Trail Initiative

The FPK/BTA will continue in our mission to support our state historic sites and to preserve and share our history current and future generations

THANK YOU!



The Journey Continues