It’s time to do it again!

In 1990, the Forest Service, working under a cost-share agreement with several nonprofit organizations, produced the first-ever Wilderness Ranger Cookbook. This highly successful project was funded by a generous donation by the Coleman Company.

The authors are gearing up to do it again, with the Wilderness Ranger Cookbook being one of many 50th Anniversary of Wilderness projects planned for 2014. But this time, the cookbook will be expanded to include recipes from all four federal land agency rangers (BLM, FS, NPS and USFWS).

You are encouraged to submit your recipe by June 14, 2013 to the email address provided below. All recipes will be field-tested in the summer of 2013. The new interagency 50th Anniversary Wilderness Ranger Cookbook is anticipated to go on sale in early 2014. Cookbooks will be published by the Society for Wilderness Stewardship (SWS) under a cost-share agreement.

Recipe submittals are open to all interagency wilderness rangers, wilderness volunteers and resource specialists who work in congressionally designated wilderness across America. The recipe submittal requirements are listed below. However, it’s very simple – your recipe must be the “real deal!” It must be an actual meal that you cook up in wilderness as part of your backcountry job. Don’t miss out on having your favorite creation included in the 50th Anniversary edition.

RECIPE REQUIREMENTS

- Recipe must be submitted by June 14, 2013. You must include your full name, email address and phone number (so that we can follow up with you –not for use in the cookbook).

- Only one recipe submittal per person.

- If cooking is required, it must be cooked over a one-burner backcountry stove.

- Meal must be authentic recipe (i.e. your recipe). Each submitter must sign a waiver to release their recipe for use in the cookbook.

- Meal must be easy to clean up and must follow Leave No Trace principles.

- Meal must be nutritional and fun to make and eat.

- Recipe submittals should follow the format examples (attached).

- Send your recipe to: Ralph Swain, USFS-Rocky Mountain Region Wilderness Program Manager, phone: 303-275-5058, email: rswain@fs.fed.us