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Big Hole National Battlefield Produces Audio Described Version of Park Brochure

Team members and volunteers from across the nation recently helped Big Hole National Battlefield produce an audio described version of our brochure. While audio description is geared for guests who are blind or visually impaired, this brand-new resource will provide all guests another venue to learn about the battlefield and its history.

Audio description is a communication method that uses additional text to describe items that can only be seen (for example: photographs, posters, maps, etc.). It allows those who can't see those things to experience them in a way that can be heard instead. This brochure is part of a nation-wide project spearheaded by Dr. Brett Oppegaard, Professor at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa in the School of Communication and Information. Under his guidance, and in collaboration with the University of Hawaii's Center on Disability Studies, the American Council of the Blind, and the National Park Service, Big Hole National Battlefield now has one of the latest brochures ready for you and your listening devices!

Our team included volunteers from other park sites, citizen volunteers, and audio description enthusiasts who use it on a regular basis. From international speakers and regional experts, we learned the details of audio description, practiced our techniques in friendly challenges that pitted our skills against other participating parks, then focused our energies on honing our audio brochure into a quality product.

Listen to our brochure and share it with your friends! You can find it on the UniDescription app in iOS or Android formats. It will also be available for download on our website soon! Find more information at https://www.nps.gov/biho/planyourvisit/park-brochure.htm.

Big Hole National Battlefield is located 10 miles west of Wisdom, MT. on Highway 43. Admission is free year round. For more information, please contact Big Hole National Battlefield at 406-689-3155, visit www.nps.gov/biho, or check us out on Facebook www.facebook.com/BigHoleNationalBattlefield/.

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