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## Sand Creek Massacre News Release

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### **17<sup>th</sup> Annual Sand Creek Massacre Spiritual Healing Run/Walk**

The 17th Annual Sand Creek Massacre Spiritual Healing Run begins at 7 a.m. Thursday, November 26, 2015, at the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site. The run/walk is an annual event sponsored by the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana, the Northern Arapaho Tribe of Wyoming, and the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes (Oklahoma) to honor the victims and survivors of the Sand Creek Massacre and for healing of ancestral homelands. This year's event will mark the 151st year since the Sand Creek Massacre.

#### **Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 7 a.m. Sunrise Ceremonies on Monument Hill Overlook, Sand Creek Massacre NHS, Kiowa County, CO
- 10 a.m. 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Spiritual Healing Run will commence, Monument Hill Overlook
- 5 p.m. Dinner for run participants and community, Eads United Methodist Church, Eads, CO

#### **Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**

- 8 a.m. The "Healing Run" continues to Limon, CO, location to be announced.

#### **Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

- 7 a.m. Continue "Healing Run" to Denver, CO, location to be announced.
- 6 p.m. Pow-wow at Westin Hotel, 1672 Lawrence St., Denver

#### **Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

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- 7 a.m. Opening Ceremony, Riverside Cemetery, 5201 Brighton Boulevard, Denver.
- 8 a.m. Ceremony to Honor *Captain Silas S. Soule*, Company D, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Cavalry, Colorado (U.S.) Volunteers and *Lieutenant Joseph A. Cramer*, Company K, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Cavalry, Colorado (U.S.) Volunteers.
- 9 a.m. Continue “Healing Run” to 15<sup>th</sup> & Arapaho Avenue, Denver.
- 10 a.m. Presentation at 15<sup>th</sup> & Arapaho Avenue: **Captain Silas S. Soule Memorial Plaque**. Immediately following this presentation, all participants will walk last mile to the Colorado State Capitol Building in Denver.
- 11 a.m. Public presentation at the west side of the Colorado State Capitol Building in Denver.
- 12 p.m. Conclusion of the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Spiritual Healing Run

For additional information about the Annual Sand Creek Massacre Spiritual Healing Run/Walk, please contact event organizer Kaden Walksnice at (509) 336-9869 or Park Tribal Liaison Karen Wilde at (719) 438-5916.

To learn more about the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site call (719) 438-5916 or go to [www.nps.gov/sand](http://www.nps.gov/sand) .

The Sand Creek Massacre is located in Kiowa County, Colorado. To visit the site, follow Colorado State Highway 96 east off Highway 287 near Eads, or west off Highway 385 at Sheridan Lake. Near Chivington, turn north onto County Road 54/Chief White Antelope Way or at Brandon, turn north onto County Road 59. Follow these roads to their intersections with County Road W. The park entrance is along County Road W one mile east of County Road 54 or several miles west of CR 59.

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