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**University of Wyoming – National Park Service  
Harlow Summer Seminars at the AMK Ranch**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>**

**“MELTDOWN: HOW POLAR BEARS ARE  
FUNCTIONING IN THE CHANGING ARCTIC”**

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Polar bears are uniquely adapted for life on the Arctic sea ice, leading to questions about how they cope with warmer temperatures and reduced ice every summer and whether they will continue to cope in the face of a changing climate. To shed light on these questions, John studied the physiology, nutritional state, and behavior of polar bears over the course of two summers. He will discuss his research at this year’s first UW-NPS Harlow Seminar at the AMK Ranch.



***We will have a barbecue at 5:30 with hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, chips, salads and dessert for a \$5 donation. The talk starts at 6:30 in the historic Berol Lodge at the AMK Ranch. Turn right in the Leek’s Marina parking lot in Grand Teton National Park. Reservations not required.***