We are raising funds to help repair the cabins and fencing at Calamity Camp.

Uranium mining played a crucial role in the history of western Mesa County, especially in the area around Gateway. Calamity Camp is on the list of National Register of Historic Places. It dates back to 1913.

“The first miners who came seem to have been experienced in mining construction, but not necessarily building construction, so the buildings here are fairly unique,” said Alissa Leavitt-Reynolds, archaeologist for the BLM Grand Junction Field Office. “In particular, the unconventional roof framework shows they were unfamiliar with standard construction techniques.”

Money collected will go towards:

1. Asphalt Roofing rolls
2. Bolts for fencing

Any extra money will be applied towards future Calamity Camp projects.

Volunteers will be needed to help rebuild the fence. No date has been set yet as the work depends on the firefighters having time to make the posts for the fence.

THANK YOU for your help in this effort.