Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title:, Comparison of various satellite imagery platforms and spatial resolutions for classifying sagesteppe communities near Bannack, Montana

Type of Project): Technical Assistance

Project Discipline: Natural

Funding Agency: BLM

Other Partners/Cooperators:

Effective Dates: August 21, 2006 – May 31, 2008

Funding Amount: \$18,000 (FY06); \$25,000 (FY07)

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Project Abstract:

Objectives: The Wildlife Spatial Analysis Lab (WSAL) will carry out a series of classifications using Landsat TM7 30m. Landsat TM7 Pan-sharpened 15m, SPOTS5 10m, SPOTS5 Pan-sharpened 5m, Quickbird 2.5m. Quickbird Pan- sharpened 70cm using the same training samples and relative segmentation parameters in order to compare the results of the different classifications. The objective is to determine the cost/benefit ration for each Satellite imagery platform and spatial resolution

Outcomes with completion dates (reports, publications, workshops, videos, etc.):

Keywords: land classification, satellite imagery, cost/benefit ration