

Report: Information Management and Delivery, Biological Resource Management in National Parks- Invasive Species : Information Management and Delivery

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The Endangered Species Program works with the Colorado Natural Heritage Program on the design and maintenance of the NPS Endangered Species Act Database. Records from 1998 to 2009 are maintained in this Access database. The database design has been adopted by the Bureau of Land Management to provide information for their report to Congress on GPRA goals. At present the Species of Management Concern (SOMC) and the Invasive Animals (INVA) databases are in an Excel format. As more parks enter data into SOMC and INVA, the database will grow in the amount of information and the complexity. This may necessitate these two databases becoming Access databases. We also anticipate that with the NPS' development of IRMA (The Integration of Resource Management Applications), that these three databases will become merged with other NPS databases such as NPSpecies, Inventory and Monitoring, Invasive Plants, Integrated Pest Management (PUPS database), and other database information for "one stop" shopping by all NPS staffs. This project benefits the public, who are interested in which threatened and endangered species are located in the 392 NPS units, their present status (i.e., current, historic, outplanted, restored), and the expenditures that have been made in the previous fiscal year. This information is made easily available to the public with the information posted on the Internet (see <http://www.nature.nps.gov/biology/endangeredspecies/database/search.cfm>)

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