## Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Research and development of processes and tools for the NPS National Information Services Center (NISC) Portfolio and Project Management (PPM) and Information Technology Information Library (ITIL) project Discipline: Interdisciplinary Type of Project: Technical Assistance Funding Agency: National Park Service Other Partners/Cooperators: Colorado State University Effective Dates: 8/1/2008 - 9/30/2010 Funding Amount: \$192,027 Investigators and Agency Representative: NPS Contact: Sue Hawkins, OCIO, National Park Service, 12795 W. Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood, CO., 303-969-2026, sue\_hawkins@nps.gov Investigator: Jim Loftis, A207J Engineering Building, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523-1372, ph (970)491-2667; fax: (970) 491-7727, jim.loftis@colostate.edu

Project Abstract: CSU Research Associate will assist NPS staff to complete several activities, including:

- 1. Researching best practices tools for portfolio management
- 2. Researching best practices tools for tracking projects
- 3. Researching best practices tools for tracking requirements
- 4. Determining best layout and guidelines for templates for the Project Management process
- 5. Developing processes and procedures for performing requirements analysis, business analysis and use cases
- 6. Assisting in the establishment of the NPS PMO within the NISC
- 7. Assist in the implementation of selected tools and processes
- 8. Developing processes and procedures for ITIL best practices in support of the services provided by the NISC to the NPS and the public

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:** Due by September 30, 2010: Final report, including (1) demonstration and recommendation of portfolio and project management (PPM) applications utilizing best practices for the management of projects within an organization; (2) documentation of research results, project requirements, and implementation recommendations/plans for the selected PPM product to be used within the NISC, (3) documentation of research results, project requirements, and implementation recommendations/plans for the development of services catalogs for the NISC based on ITIL best practices, and (4) other protocols and applications for collection and management of project requirements used within the NISC.

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