

**Project Summary**  
**Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit**

**Project Title:** Innovative Partnerships for Managing Tourism and Recreation in World Heritage Sites and Other Protected Areas - Participation of one Colombian and two Chileans in the 2014 Colorado State University (CSU) Protected Area Management Course

**Discipline:** Interdisciplinary

**Type of Project:** Education and Technical Assistance

**Funding Agency:** National Park Service

**Other Partners/Cooperators:** Colorado State University

**Student Involvement:** Yes, two Chilean participants for the CSU Course on Protected Areas Management

**Effective Dates:** 7/1/2014 - 12/31/2015

**Funding Amount:** \$30,000

**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** The purpose of this project is to provide technical assistance in the management of World Heritage sites and other protected areas to international partners of the NPS.

A. Colorado State University (CSU) agrees to:

- 1) Organize and carry out the annual protected areas managers course in Fort Collins
- 2) This year's course will begin on July 9, 2014, and CSU agrees to cover the following expenses for two Chilean park managers and one Colombian park manager to attend the course in Fort Collins:
  - Transportation from Denver airport to CSU roundtrip
  - Lodging and per diem during course
  - Outfitter fees for field trips
  - Equipment and supplies needed for field trips
  - Transportation during course (van, shuttle service, pack animal, raft)
  - All basic equipment needed for field trips
  - Instruction materials (handouts, jump drive with all course materials)
  - Health insurance in USA
  - All CSU instructional, conference service and processing fees
- 3) CSU will prepare a final report of the course provided to the NPS-Office of International Affairs (OIA) and the RM-CESU submitted by September 30, 2014.

B. NPS agrees to:

- 1) Identify and recruit one Colombian and two Chilean participants for the CSU Course on Protected Areas Management;
- 2) Communicate with partner agencies in these countries to receive feedback from participants after course in order to develop follow-on cooperative activities.

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:** December 30, 2015

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