Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Phase I Restoration Monitoring for Lulu City Wetland, Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado

Discipline: Natural

Type of Project: Technical Assistance
Funding Agency: National Park Service
Cooperators: Colorado State University

Student Involvement: yes

Effective Dates: 5/1/2015 - 12/31/2016

Funding Amount: \$32,008

Investigators and Agency Representatives:

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Project Abstract: This project addresses the need for a detailed restoration plan and expert workshop for the Grand Ditch Restoration effort in Rocky Mountain NP. CSU's work will cover zone 2 (Lulu Creek, including zone 2b, along the ditch breach channel that is tributary to Lulu Creek), zone 3 (Colorado River from just upstream of Lulu Creek to the Lulu City wetland), and zone 4 (Lulu City wetland). CSU investigators will address all issues related to stream channel and floodplain/riparian area restoration.

The restoration plan will include the specifications for final ground surface elevations, cut and fill volumes needed, stream bed design details, and a planting plan. The CSU cooperators will work with ROMO staff to set up an expert workshop to review the restoration plans.

Outcomes with Completion Dates: December 31, 2016

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