

## **Project Summary**

### **Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit**

**Project Title:** Historic Structures Records Management Project, Yellowstone NP

**Discipline:** Cultural  
**Type of Project:** Technical Assistance/Education  
**Funding Agency:** National Park Service  
**Other Partners/Cooperators:** Colorado State University  
**Student Involvement:** Yes, student internship  
**Effective Dates:** 8/1/2015 - 12/31/2017  
**Funding Amount:** \$24,978

**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** This collaborative project between CSU and NPS will assist Yellowstone National Park (YELL) with processing YELL paper and electronic records, photographs, plans, and documents for over 800 historic structures. Through student internships or research assistantships, CSU will assist YELL in assessing these records for their long-term value, prepare record organization plans (file plans), and implement those plans by arranging records. The project includes the identification, selection, protection, organization, description, and preservation of these records, making them systematically accessible to users. As part of this project, some of these records will be prepared for transfer to the YELL Archives, an affiliated archive of the National Archives and documents the history and science of the world's first national park.

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:**

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