

## **Project Summary**

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

**Project Title:** List of Classified Structures Technical Assistance

**Discipline:** Cultural Resources

**Type of Project:** Technical Assistance

**Funding Agency:** National Park Service

**Other Partners/Cooperators:** University of Colorado at Denver

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**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** The List of Classified Structures (LCS) is an inventory of all historic and prehistoric buildings and structures that have historical, architectural, or engineering significance within parks of the National Park System in which the National Park Service (NPS) has, or plans to acquire, any legal enforceable interest. The list is evaluated or "classified" by the National Register of Historic Places criteria.

The LCS is a web-based, client-server application designed as a tool to assist NPS managers at all levels. As an automated database, the LCS facilitates the retrieval of information on a variety of levels to assist managers and cultural resource specialists to make and record management decisions. It has also evolved into a powerful research tool, assisting staff, scholars, and the general public. As such, it has been designed with the concept that information about historic and prehistoric structures is needed by many individuals and by other applications and should be shared.

The Intermountain Region LCS program assists over 70 park service units in an eight-state region including, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah, Texas, and Wyoming. The program is responsible for overseeing the maintenance and accuracy of the electronic data, conducting condition assessments for the buildings and structures, and for obtaining determinations of eligibility. Each fiscal year the work assists parks in updating and assessing conditions for over 1,000 structures across the region.

The Intermountain Region LCS program wishes to work cooperatively with the UC Denver Historic Preservation Certificate Program to survey, assess resource conditions, and prepare determinations of eligibility in preparation for updating the building and structure files on the LCS. This cooperative venture will result in an increased knowledge and understanding of the regions historic and prehistoric structures. The information gathered during this project will be used to assist NPS managers in making informed resource management decisions.

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:** Due by September 2008:

- 1) updated and certified LCS electronic resource files. The updated LCS files must meet the program requirements and the Washington Office standards for certification. The number of files to be certified will be based on upon the work plan and schedule developed and approved by the regional director's office at the beginning of FY 2008. On average, approximately 500-800 resource files are updated each year.
- 2) The secondary products will be 5 approved Determinations of Eligibility (DOE). The format for each DOE will be determined in consultation with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Based upon the submission requirements developed in consultation with the SHPO.

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