# Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Catalog NPS Resource Management Archives

Discipline: Cultural

Type of Project: Technical Assistance and Education

Funding Agency: National Park Service

Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Colorado at Boulder

**Effective Dates:** 8/1/2008 - 3/31/2010

Funding Amount: \$3,878

#### Investigators and Agency Representative:

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### Project Abstract:

Museum collections must be cataloged to provide accountability in accordance with NPS Management Policies and Directors Order 24. This project will assist Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in achieving accountability by processing and upgrading storage for approximately 12,000 archival items.

#### Park Responsibilities:

- Provide background information on the National Park Service, the Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site, and archive collection cataloging standards before or upon arrival of intern.
- Provide specific training to catalog archives to NPS standards and in the ANCS+ data base and archives module.
- Provide all work space, equipment and supplies necessary for archives re-housing, processing and cataloging.
- Provide daily supervision including identification of work tasks and review of products.
- Complete any internship documentation that may be required by the university.

## Principal Investigator (PI) and Student Intern Responsibilities:

The cooperator will complete the following tasks to provide accountability for archival collections at Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in accordance with the requirements of the Museum Handbook and Cataloging Handbook. Work will be performed at Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site, Deer Lodge, Montana.

- PI will select an intern with sufficient training and experience to complete the archives cataloging project with minimal training and supervision by park's Museum Technician
- Intern will perform work at Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site, Deer Lodge,
- Intern will become familiar with the mission of the National Park Service and the Grant-Kohrs Ranch.
- The intern will become familiar with and use the NPS Museum Handbook and Cataloging Handbook archives cataloging methods.
- Intern will produce with the park's Museum Technician a processing plan for cataloging the identified archives.
- Intern will process and arrange archival material into appropriate collections and series and prepare processing notes.
- The intern will complete all necessary storage upgrades for preservation of the records using park supplies.
- The intern will enter catalog records into the ANCS+ archives module per NPS standards.
- The intern will produce a written summary of all work accomplished.

## Outcomes with Completion Dates:

August 2008 Student intern selected

September 2008 - April 2009 Park provides intern with project information

May 2009 Arrive on site and begin work August 2009 Archive cataloging complete September 30, 2009 Final report complete

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