

## Project Summary

### Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

**Project Title:** Editing and Layout for Rocky Mountain Network Phase III Report - Draft  
Monitoring Plan

**Type of Project:** Technical Assistance

**Discipline:** Natural

**Funding Agency:** National Park Service

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

**Effective Dates:** 8/15/2006 - 9/30/2007

**Funding Amount:** \$10,194

#### Investigators and Agency Representative:

NPS Contact: Mike Britten, Program Manager, Rocky Mountain Inventory and Monitoring Network, Natural Resources Program Center, 1201 Oakridge Drive, Suite 200, Fort Collins, CO 80525; fax: 970-225-3585; phone: 970-267-2150; mike\_britten@nps.gov

Investigator: Lisa Graumlich, Big Sky Institute, 106 AJM Johnson Hall, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717-3490, Phone: 406-994-5320, lisa@montana.edu.

**Project Abstract:** The general objective is for the NPS staff of the Rocky Mountain Inventory and Monitoring Network (ROMN) to work with MSU-Big Sky Institute to produce a ROMN Phase III report that is professional in appearance and content, includes all the required information (per NPS-WASO guidance), and clearly and concisely communicates the scientific and administrative basis for the network's long-term ecological monitoring program.

#### Our specific objectives are to:

1. Edit written contributions to the Plan by multiple authors so the Plan is cohesive and unified (in other words, not disparate in terms of writing approach and style).
2. Provide a Plan that is concise while logically linking or directing readers to more detailed and technical supporting documents and related information.
3. Provide a final draft of the Plan that is pleasing to read and professional and accessible to resource and park managers AND scientific and technical readers.

The writer/editor will work directly with ROMN staff co-authors to write, draft, edit, layout and "publish" the final Draft Vital Signs Monitoring Plan for peer-review. Work will be done "virtually" via phone, e-mail correspondence, use of FTP sites, etc. The writer/editor will work with the Network Program Manager to develop a plan and timeframe and ensure coauthors work within them.

#### Outcomes with Completion Dates:

1. November 15, 2006 - Draft ROMN Phase III Report submitted for ROMN I&M review (digital format)
2. December 4, 2006 - Final ROMN Phase III Report returned to ROMN for printing.
3. December 4, 2006 - Summary of time and costs for editing, graphics conversion/production, and layout time for ROMN Phase III Report

**Keywords:** monitoring protocols, Vital Signs Monitoring Plan, Rocky Mountains Inventory and Monitoring Network, Montana State University, Big Sky Institute, editor

#### For Administrative Use Only:

Date Annual Report Received:

Date Final Report Received:

Publications, etc. on file: