Project Completion Report Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (RM-CESU)

Project Title: Connecting Science to Visitors and Scientists to Parks: Greater Yellowstone Science Learning Center (PMIS # 137826)

Project Code : J1580080405; Centennial Challenge project through the WASO agreement

Type of Project : Technical Assistance

Funding Agency: National Park Service

Partner University: Montana State University

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End Date of Project: December 1, 2009

Funding Amount: \$23,300.00

Project Summary, including descriptions of project deliverables, work accomplished and/or major results. If the information is restricted (e.g. location of endangered species or cultural resources), indicate the title and location of the final report. Also add web sites where project-related information may be found.

The goal of our partnership was to collaborate toward scientifically robust and credible information products designed to communicate science. This project resulted in website content products, mainly Resource Briefs and reference lists, for 24 topics, listed below. These products are all available at <u>http://www.greateryellowstonescience.org</u>.

Yellowstone NP: Lake Fish Hatchery, Haynes Photo Shops, F. Jay and Jack Haynes, Trailside Museums, Queen's Laundry Bathhouse, Mission 66, Jackrabbits, Winter Soundscapes, Trumpeter Swans, Air Quality, Moose, Pronghorn, Lake MATBI Project. Grand Teton NP: Amphibians, Livestock Grazing, Visitation, Year-round Soundscapes, Mountain Goats, Pronghorn, Sage Grouse. Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area: Kane Cemetery, Rare Plants, Bats, Geology.

Number of students participating in this project: Two individuals worked on this project.