

Project Summary

Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Camper Orientation Film, Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve

Discipline: Interdisciplinary
Type of Project: Education
Funding Agency: National Park Service
Other Partners/Cooperators: Montana State University
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Project Abstract: Backpackers, boaters and campers visit Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve and need information on orientation and safety issues. The new film should be no longer than 20 minutes. It will provide viewers with all of the following: 1) an introduction to the park and services the park offers, 2) important safety messages and resource preservation issues related to camping in the park, and 3) information about closures and regulations which are for the protection of wildlife and wilderness. The purpose of this project is to not only remind visitors of important regulations but also to enhance stewardship and appreciation of the legacy of this wonderful place

The goal is also to incorporate a cultural message. Glacier Bay is the ancestral homeland of the Huna Tlingit. We would like to work towards passing along their legacy of stewardship to the visitors of today. Park staff will work with MSU faculty (Ron Tobias) and graduate students to write the script and produce the video.

Outcomes with Completion Dates: Film in final form due to GLBA by November 30, 2011

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