

## **Project Summary**

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

**Project Title:** Production of Introductory Educational Video for SCBL Visitor Center

**Discipline:** Interdisciplinary  
**Type of Project:** Education/Technical Assistance  
**Funding Agency:** National Park Service  
**Other Partners/Cooperators:** Montana State University  
**Effective Dates:** 6/1/2014 - 3/30/2015  
**Funding Amount:** \$15,000

**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** A graduate student from Montana State University's School of Film and Photography and its Master's program in Science and Natural History Film Making to produce a fifteen-minute video designed to engage and familiarize visitors with the larger story of the significance of Scotts Bluff National Monument and the North Platte River Valley. The film will share the history, landscape, and major activities associated with the region interpreted at Scotts Bluff National Monument from the Oligocene Epoch to the present using perspectives and techniques relevant to contemporary visitors, including youth from diverse backgrounds.

Montana State University will provide the facilities, equipment, and personnel necessary to organize, manage, and produce the fifteen-minute introductory video. A graduate student producer will shoot and edit the video with close supervision provided by Dr. Dennis Aig, a graduate faculty member and an experienced liaison with Scotts Bluff NM, who will coordinate and supervise on-site production. **The Public Lands History Center will provide Montana State University with source material for the script and review the script and fine cut of the video to ensure that the film's overall message complements the new Visitor Center exhibits.**

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:**

First Edit - without music/sound - September 8, 2014  
Second Edit - without music/sound - October 20, 2014  
Fine Cut - with music and sound effects - November 7, 2014  
Final and Deliver - December 5, 2014

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