

Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit
Project Summary

Project Title: History Internship – Complete a National Register Nomination for Yellowstone National Park’s West Entrance Road

Discipline: Interdisciplinary

Type of Project: Technical Assistance and Education

Funding Agency: National Park Service

Other Partners/Cooperators: Montana State University

Student Participation: Yes, Internship

Effective Dates: 05/01/2020 – 12/31/2021

Funding Amount: \$38,735

Investigators and Agency Representative:

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Project Abstract:

Project Goals – Using an interdisciplinary approach, an intern will research and document the West Entrance Road as a Historic District. This nomination will enrich interpretive opportunities, streamline compliance for proposed projects, and help park managers protect the resource as they plan for the future of this road.

Project Objectives – Objectives are to conduct necessary archival, library, and museum collection research; Collaborate with park subject matter experts (such as archaeologist, historian, archivist, GIS specialist) to ensure all information is accurate, up-to-date, and complete; Document, using photography and written descriptions, the length of the West Entrance Road; Complete a draft of the National Register of Historic Places Nomination form.