

Project Summary
Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

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Project Abstract: The purpose of this study is to define through the "Delphi" decision making process park (GRTE, BICA, & YELL) and network (GRYN) vital signs for monitoring the long term health of natural ecosystems in these three parks. This is part of the planning process for the Natural Resource Challenge, Vital Signs Monitoring mandate for the Greater Yellowstone Network. The researchers will work with NPS personnel to develop a series of on-line Internet surveys that will be sent to technical experts. Results of the survey responses will be compiled in reports to network personnel, and will form the basis for a Vital Signs Workshop, to be held in Bozeman in May 2003.
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