

Project Summary
Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

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Project Abstract: Staff at Rocky Mountain NP need to have a draft manuscript titled: "The Elk Herd in Rocky Mountain NP", peer reviewed by two experts in the field of ungulate ecology. Dr. James Peek of University of Idaho and Dr. Doug Houston of Yellowstone NP reviewed this document and provided comments to the park, with Dr. Gerry Wright providing the review coordination. These reviews will assist the park in preparing background documents for the draft Environmental Impact Statement on the options for control of elk populations in Rocky Mountain NP, where willows are currently being affected by elk herbivory.
Outcomes with completion dates: 1. completed peer reviews of document, provided to ROMO by October 2003.
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