# Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

 $\textbf{Project Title} : \texttt{Technical} \ \texttt{and} \ \texttt{administrative} \ \texttt{support} \ \texttt{for Crown of the Continent}$ 

Ecosystem Managers Partnership, University of Montana

Type of Project: Education/planning
Funding Agency: National Park Service

Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Calgary, Miistakis Institute of the Rockies, Waterton NP

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#### **Project Abstract:**

Investigators will provide GIS support to Crown Managers Partnership (CMP) related initiatives including access to transboundary spatial datasets and Crown of the Continent ecoregional maps. The emphasis will be on derived research products rather than raw data. Cooperators will develop a web site for the CMP to outline the partnership objectives, goals, workplans, results, trends, management approaches and additional related information, and generate materials for presentation by CMP members to promote an understanding of strategic issues facing the Crown ecosystem. Investigators will provide significant leverage potential with Agency resources through graduate and academic expertise as well as other grants and donations that are not generally available to government agencies. Finally, partners will facilitate an annual Crown of the Continent Managers Forum (CMF) that will be hosted by the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park.

## Outcomes with completion dates:

Web site; reports of internships and annual meetings

**Keywords:** Crown of the Continent ecosystem, Ecosystem Managers Partnership, Glacier National Park, Waterton National Park

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