

# **Project Completion Report**

## **Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (RM-CESU)**

**Project Title:** Workshops and Program Support for National Park Service, Rocky Mountains CESU

**Project Code:** UMT-189, P08AC00031

**Type of Project:** Technical Assistance

**Funding Agency:** National Park Service

**Partner University:** University of Montana

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**Start Date of Project:** 9/15/2008

**End Date of Project:** 8/1/2013

**Funding Amount:** \$36,310

**Project Summary:** Funds for this project mainly supported the RM-CESU work with students and parks on workshops and outreach activities.

The RM-CESU Executive Coordinator worked with NPS, CESU staff to conduct the following activities:

- workshop/meeting planning and logistics
- preparation of project summary reports and final reports
- website maintenance
- RM-CESU outreach and communication to Parks
- Arranging for student award winners to travel to RM CESU Executive meetings
- Arranging for a Native American student at UM to work with the FWS/USGS Grizzly Bear project is the NCDE for two summers
- Procure office supplies and computer equipment and software
- Cover NPS staff expenses for network ports, phone charges and xeroxing
- Sponsorship of the "High Five" symposium at UM on whitebark pine ecology
- Sponsorship of the Wilderness workshop at Lubrecht Forest
- Sponsorship of GLAC Ice Patch Archeology team meeting in Missoula

Project funds also went to support the annual RM-CESU Student Award and Project Team Award. These awards honor outstanding efforts by students and project teams participating in RM-CESU projects.

**Number of students participating in this project: 3**

**Other RM-CESU agencies or research partners who participated in this project:** Efforts by both the RM-CESU Executive Coordinator and the NPS, RM-CESU staff benefit all partners.