

Project Summary

Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Missoula Children and Nature Summit and Mobilize GenWise Think Tank Kick-off Event

Discipline: Social Science
Type of Project: Education
Funding Agency: National Park Service
Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Montana
Effective Dates: 12/15/2008- 12/15/2009
Funding Amount: \$10,000

Investigators and Agency Representative:

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Project Abstract: The University of Montana will work with National Park Service (NPS), RTCA to carry out a workshop and summit in February 2009, including the following:

1. Collaborate with other conference organizers to establish dates, locations and duration of a public symposium and professional conference for the Missoula Children and Nature Summit, inviting participation from Mobilize GenWise Think Tank members.
2. Collaborate with other conference organizers and the RTCA program of NPS to establish dates, locations and duration of Mobilize GenWise Think Tank meeting sessions and events (February 11-13, 2009).
3. Arrange for publicity, meeting space, audiovisual resources (including digital recording of all Summit and Think Tank sessions, not of professional quality) and other logistical arrangements as necessary and agreed upon by the cooperator and RTCA.
4. Provide stipends or honoraria for selected Think Tank members.
5. Collect, organize and electronically submit to RTCA and supply on a conference website all final papers, presentations and other material presented at the conference in order to provide a public record of the proceedings.

Outcomes with Completion Dates:

List of Products: Due by 12/15/2009:

- 11-13 February 2009: Conference hosting, Think Tank member stipends
- 13 February 2009: Digital video and audio files
- 15 June 2009: Conference report or proceedings and website
- 15 December 2009: Final Report of the project due to the NPS

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