Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

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

Discipline: Interdisciplinary Type of Project: Technical Assistance/Education Funding Agency: National Park Service Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Montana Effective Dates: 7/1/2012 - 9/30/2016 Funding Amount: \$33,750

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Project Abstract: The University of Montana will work with National Park Service (NPS), RM-CESU staff to define and conduct activities relevant to needs of natural and cultural resource management in Rocky Mountain cluster parks, and with other programs of the NPS. These activities will include some of the following:

- 1) web services;
- workshop and meeting logistics and planning, including invited travel for nonfederal participants;
- 3) preparation of summary documents and background reports;
- 4) support of students involved in NPS, RM-CESU activities and other NPS tasks;
- 5) provision of student travel and awards;
- 6) office and communications support;
- 7) Production of outreach products in support of NPS collaborative work with the RM-CESU.

Outcomes with Completion Dates:

List of Products: Due by September 30, 2016:

- facilitation and reports for special topic workshops
- synthesis reports and web site maintenance
- outreach activities to parks
- provision of student travel and awards to workshops

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