

Project Summary

Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Archeological Overview and Assessment for Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park

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Other Partners/Cooperators: Utah State University
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Investigators and Agency Representative:

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Project Abstract: Project partner researchers will review and collate all park documents such as survey/excavation reports, trip reports, memos, curation reports, and correspondence. They will consolidate that information into an Archeological Overview and Assessment Report recommended under DO-28 (Archeology).

The Guidelines for DO-28 for an Archeological Overview and Assessment shall be followed. This document

- describes the area's environment and culture history;
- lists, describes, and evaluates its known archeological resources;
- describes the potential for as-yet-unidentified archeological resources;
- describes and evaluates past research in the area or region;
- outlines relevant research topics; and
- provides recommendations for future research.

The Archeological O&A also lists the location of collections of archeological materials and associated records related to park resources; and contains a comprehensive bibliography."

The final form of the report will be a result of direct discussions between the park staff and the PI, but will contain, at a minimum, one chapter each about

1. the current environment;
2. the regional cultural history;
3. the past archeological work in the park;
4. the relationship of the park resources in the regional context;
5. identification of deficiencies and remedies;
6. direction for future research; curation status; and
7. a comprehensive bibliography of the park's archeological resources related documents.

Outcomes with Completion Dates:

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