The UW-NPS small grant steering committee consisting of Nick Fuzessery, Ronald Marrs, Ronald Beiswenger, and Fred Lindzey, from the University of Wyoming, and Sue Consolo Murphy from Grand Teton National Park, met to review proposals for 2006-2007. We had an outstanding response to our RFP with high caliber proposals. The committee did a fine job at rigorously evaluating, discussing and ranking these studies. I’m in debt to my colleagues for their enthusiasm toward this program. The following is a list of names, their host institution and financial award given. I was very pleased the University of Wyoming faculty have progressively increased the number and caliber of proposals submitted to our program. This year we proudly support 5 UW faculty working in the Greater Yellowstone Area.

Ronald Hartman.  University Of Wyoming.  “Floristic survey of northern Grand Teton National Park and vicinity range expansion in the southern Teton” ................................................................. $4,000

Daniel B. Tinker.  University of Wyoming.  “Bark beetle and wildfire interactions in subalpine forests: susceptibility to insect activity and high-severity fire in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem” ...............................$4,000


Robert Hall.  University of Wyoming.  “Linking exotic snails to organic and inorganic carbon cycling in Kelly Warm Springs, Grand Teton National Park” .................................................................$4,000

Clayton B. Marlow.  Montana State University.  “Impact of irrigation cessation on wetland communities in Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming” .................................................................$4,000

Helga Van Miegroet.  Utah State University.  “Effect of N deposition and edaphic conditions on microbial activity in the alpine zone” .................................................................$4,000

Susan Wolff.  Grand Teton National Park.  “How are Brewer's Sparrows affected by the encroachment of the exotic grass species, smooth brome (*Bromus inermis* Leyss.)?” .................................................................$3,500

Daniel B. Tinker.  University of Wyoming.  "Bark beetle and wildfire interactions in subalpine forests: Susceptibility to insect activity and high-severity fire in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem” ..................................................$4,000

Daniel B. Tinker.  University of Wyoming.  "Non-native plant influences on ecosystem structure, Function and susceptibility to invasion” .............................................................................. Housing waiver

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