

## **Project Summary**

### **Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit**

**Project Title:** UW-NPS Research Center, Small Grants, 2010-2011

**Discipline:** Interdisciplinary  
**Type of Project:** Education/Research  
**Funding Agency:** National Park Service  
**Other Partners/Cooperators:** University of Wyoming  
**Effective Dates:** 6/1/2010-12/31/2013  
**Funding Amount:** \$28,300

**Investigators and Agency Representative:**

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**Project Abstract:** The UW-NPS Grand Teton Research Center cooperative research program includes a shared funding initiative between the University of Wyoming and the National Park Service which provides small research grants for projects conducted within the Greater Yellowstone Area to benefit science and understanding about the parks and surrounding areas. Grand Teton National Park annually provides a 'Research Needs' list on its website and through the UWNPS small grants call for proposals. In response and/or as unsolicited proposals, researchers propose projects to the University of Wyoming. These proposals are reviewed by a panel of University of Wyoming faculty as well as Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Park personnel, and are ranked and selected for grants based on merit, contributions to science, and applicability to park and ecosystem needs.

Results of research supported by the small grants program are presented in writing, through annual reports required by the NPS Research Permitting system; by the UW-NPS Research Center; and in final reports due to the park, if not additionally documented in professional publications, theses, and/or dissertations; and orally at approx. semi-annual meetings jointly sponsored by Grand Teton NP and the UWNPS Grand Teton Research Center and held at the center.

**Outcomes with Completion Dates:** December 31, 2013

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