

Project Summary

Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Establishing a Visual Database of Current Natural and Cultural Resource Related Programs Available for Visitor Education In Bighorn Canyon NRA

Discipline: Interdisciplinary
Type of Project: Education/Technical Assistance
Funding Agency: National Park Service
Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Wyoming, Northwest College
Effective Dates: 4/23/2010- 6/1/2011
Funding Amount: \$4,780

Investigators and Agency Representative:

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Project Abstract: Bighorn Canyon NRA will partner with Northwest College Visual Media Department to film onsite Interpretive Programs conducted by the Park Archaeologist/Historian and Interpretive Staff for groups from the Buffalo Bill Historic Center in Cody Wyoming, various Historic Societies in Montana and Wyoming, the Wyoming Archeological Society, local and area K-12 schools, Native American Groups, and student groups from Universities in Colorado, Indiana, Minnesota, Montana, Tennessee and Wyoming. This project will help Bighorn Canyon NRA establish and maintain a visual database on current Natural and Cultural Resource Interpretive Programs available for the enjoyment of visitors, or potential visitors to the park. This information will also be of great value to future generations of NPS staff members who choose to work in the park. The collected documentation will be used to produce a short film to be shown in the Visitor Center Theater to inform visitors about what there actually is to see in the park, and also placed on the Park web page for the same purpose.

Outcomes with Completion Dates: December 31, 2010

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