## Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Financial Support for International Peace Park Conference: "Peace, Parks and Partnerships", Sept 9-12, 2007 at Waterton Lakes National Park, Alberta

Type of Project: Technical Assistance, Education

Discipline: Interdisciplinary
Funding Agency: National Park Service
Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Montana
Effective Dates: July 15, 2007 - June 15, 2008

Funding Amount: \$13,000

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Project Abstract: Glacier National Park will work with The University of Calgary to organize a conference at Waterston Lakes NP in fall 2007 to highlight the75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park will be held in the Waterton town site in September 2007. The conference will focus on sharing the experiences of managers responsible for resources and visitors in other parts of the world. Conference sponsors include: Glacier National Park, Waterton Lakes National Park, Rotary Clubs in Montana and Alberta, and the Universities of Montana, Calgary and Lethbridge. The University of Calgary is providing conference coordination and Glacier National Park is proposing to provide \$8,000 to the University of Calgary for the purposes of providing financial support for delegates attending from African and Middle Eastern Countries. Conference attendees will include: directors of both the US and Canadian Park Services, managers of other transboundary protected areas; academics with expertise in peace park management; and managers of areas adjacent to Waterton and Glacier National Parks including Native Americans. Representatives of over 20 countries are registered to attend. Website: www.peaceparks2007.org

Outcomes with Completion Dates: By June 15, 2008 there will be a proceedings published from the fall 2007 Waterton-Glacier International Peach Park meeting

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