

Project Completion Report Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (RM-CESU)

Project Title: Yellowstone Archaeological Technical Assistance/Practicum

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Project Summary:

This project was both task and product based. The list of tasks and products outlined in the agreement included the cataloging and entry of artifacts into the National Park Service's database system (ANCS+), and getting these artifacts processed and into storage in the Yellowstone Heritage and Research Center (HRC) museum storage facility. The products of this objective are available as restricted records in the database and as artifacts stored in the HRC. Approximately 300 artifacts were processed, and their records were created or updated in the database.

A second task listed in the agreement was conducting small-scale archaeological inventories and site monitoring, as needed. A total of 22 sites were recorded or had their condition assessed as part of regular monitoring during this project. The products created for this task are site forms, photos, and other documentation generated from site discovery/re-visits, and are considered restricted materials on file in the archaeology laboratory in

Yellowstone.

No large-scale inventories were undertaken during the span of this agreement, and thus no reports beyond basic site forms were necessary.

Assisting with cultural compliance for ground disturbing projects was an additional task outlined in the agreement. A total of four construction/trail relocation projects required on-site monitoring during this agreement. No cultural materials were collected. The only product available for this task is a short report written for the trail re-route survey performed during this time. This report is restricted and only available on file in the archaeology lab.

No incoming reports from other researchers, contractors, etc. were reviewed by this researcher during this agreement.

Number of students participating in this project: undergraduates, graduate students, degrees conferred.

Researcher: Robin (Szamuhel) Park (Master's Degree candidate).