

# **Project Completion Report**

## **Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (RM-CESU)**

**Project Title:** Process and Catalog Resource Management Records, Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area and Nez Perce National Historical Park

**Project Code:** WSU- 08; J9375100001

**Type of Project :** Technical Assistance

**Funding Agency:** National Park Service

**Partner University:** Washington State University (WSU)

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**Start Date of Project:** July 1, 2010

**End Date of Project:** September 30, 2011

**Funding Amount:** \$28,551

**Project Summary, including descriptions of products, work accomplished and/or major results. If the information is restricted (e.g. location of endangered species or cultural resources), indicate the title and location of the final report. Also add web sites where project-related information may be found.**

In 2010, under the direction of NEPE Archivist Robert Applegate, Tabitha Erdey WSU PhD candidate and project manager accessioned an accretion to previous Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area (LARO) accessions #00099 and #00093. This accretion of materials, stored in the LARO Administrative Headquarters, were accessioned as accession #00105 and combined with #00093 and #00099 into the collection titled "Records Associated with the Management of Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area." This collection was then transferred from LARO to Nez Perce National Historical Park for processing, and was assigned catalog # LARO 3348 in ICMS. The processing, arrangement, and description of the "Records Associated with the Management of Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area" constitutes the first complete arrangement of LARO's records since the unit's creation in 1946.

The processing, arrangement and description of the "Records Associated with the Management of Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area" culminated in a finding aid for use by LARO staff and the public. The finding aid documents the contents of the 73 linear feet of material, with the collection divided into four series: Administration, Resource Management, Oral Histories, and Publications. As per the project agreement, Tabitha Erdey entered all collection data into the

LARO ICMS Archives and Collections Management Modules. In July of 2011, the processed collection was returned to LARO and stored in the Fort Spokane Archives Storage Room. Container lists and finding aids for the collection are located in the Fort Spokane Archives Storage Room and with Ray DePuydt, Archaeologist for Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area.

**Number of students participating in this project: undergraduates, graduate students, degrees conferred.** Tabitha Erdey, a WSU PhD candidate performed a majority of the work for this project. No degree was conferred based solely on the work performed here.

**Lessons Learned from this project.** Both parks (NEPE and LARO) have been very pleased with the results of the work conducted under this cooperative project. The PI and Project Manager involved in this project have been excellent to work with and all tasks were completed on-time, exactly as directed, and within budget.