Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

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Project Title: Modeling the Effect of White-nose Syndrome Mitigation Decisions on Cave Hibernating Myotis Species

Discipline: Natural **Type of Project:** Research

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Other Partners/Cooperators: Colorado State University

Student Participation: No

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Project Abstract:

Project goals: The objectives of this project, in close collaboration with research personnel at USGS National Wildlife Health Center, are to:

- 1) Simulate the consequences of candidate combinations of management actions (for example vaccinating and UV light), including pertinent remaining uncertainties in the efficacies of treatment options and bat biology;
- 2) Develop a visualization tool to assist managers with decision making in the face of uncertainty based on the developed model.