## Project Summary Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

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**Project Title:** Environmental Pathways of Chronic Wasting Disease Transmission

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

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Other Partners/Cooperators: University of Wyoming

Student Participation: No

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## **Project Abstract:**

Project goals: The goal of this research is to determine how important anthropogenic mineral licks are to the transmission of CWD. If mineral licks are found to be both highly contaminated with CWD and an important site of aggregation and transmission, they also represent an important opportunity for management options. For example, localized areas could be remediated of prion contamination and excluder devices could be used to allow for livestock to access mineral/salt licks but exclude wildlife.