



## GREATER YELLOWSTONE COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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### Participating Agencies

#### U.S. Department of the Interior

#### National Park Service

Grand Teton National Park

Yellowstone National Park

#### U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

National Elk Refuge

Red Rock Lakes NWR

#### U.S. Department of Agriculture

#### Forest Service

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**To:** Managers, Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee

**From:** Steven Kallin, GYCC Chair

**Subject:** FY 2012 GYCC Project Funding

I am pleased to announce the projects selected by the Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee (GYCC) to receive funding for fiscal year 2012. The GYCC received 43 proposals for a total funding request of about \$654,000. Twenty-three projects were selected to receive from \$2,500 to \$40,000 from the \$277,000 available. Many more excellent projects were submitted than could be funded, and I thank all who prepared a proposal.

The six subcommittee GYCC Project "Programs of Work" were approved. Additional selected projects were ranked highly by both the respective subcommittees / working groups and the GYCC Coordinator. Subcommittees used the criteria published in the call letter and the GYCC Coordinator used the criteria of:

- *Strategic fit:* How well does the project meet GYCC priorities?
- *Scope:* To what extent does the project result in internal partnerships between units or result in wide-scale benefits for the Greater Yellowstone Area?
- *Leverage resources:* To what extent does the project build external partnerships and leverage funds?

Project funds will be distributed after October 1, 2011, and are contingent on 2012 budgets. The GYCC Coordinator will work with your staff to prepare agreements and other necessary documentation needed to make funds available for each project. Project reports are due to the GYCC Coordinator by February 1, 2013 for 2012 projects.

Once again, I thank all who prepared a proposal. I also extend my sincere thanks to all who participated in subcommittee and working group review of proposals. I look forward to the results of the 2012 GYCC projects.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Steven Kallin*

STEVEN W. KALLIN

Chair, Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee



| Project Type   | 2012 Amount | Submitted by                        |
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| <b>Ecosystem Health: Air Quality</b>                                 |             |                                     |
| Air pollution critical load development - GYA deposition maps        | \$15,000    | Air Quality Committee               |
| <b>Ecosystem Health: Climate Change</b>                              |             |                                     |
| Downscaled GYA Regional Climate Model Data-Set                       | \$10,000    | Climate Change Adaptation Committee |
| Model, monitor climate impacts on GYA aquatic ecosystems             | \$32,000    | Climate Change Adaptation Committee |
| <b>Ecosystem Health: Native Fisheries</b>                            |             |                                     |
| GYA-Wide Monitor changes to native fish populations                  | \$16,000    | Fisheries Committee                 |
| <b>Ecosystem Health: Aquatic Invasive Species</b>                    |             |                                     |
| AIS Prevention and Outreach Activities- Materials                    | \$15,000    | AIS Committee                       |
| AIS Prevention and Outreach Activities- Crews                        | \$40,000    | AIS Committee                       |
| <b>Ecosystem Health: Terrestrial Invasives (Weeds)</b>               |             |                                     |
| GYA Weed Mapping Support   | \$6,000     | Terrestrial Invasives Committee     |
| GYA Education Publications / Printing                                | \$4,000     | Terrestrial Invasives Committee     |
| Inventory/Mapping Support – Fill Holes in GYA Weed Database Coverage | \$5,000     | Terrestrial Invasives Committee     |
| Weed Database Transfer to Forest Service NRIS Invasives Database     | \$2,500     | Terrestrial Invasives Committee     |
| <b>Ecosystem Health: Wildlife</b>                                    |             |                                     |
| Amphibian Monitoring Plan Development and Implementation             | \$8,000     | Bridger-Teton NF                    |
| <b>Ecosystem Health: Water Quality and Flow</b>                      |             |                                     |
| Dam Site Inventory – Compile existing info on potential sites        | \$3,000     | Hydrologists Committee              |
| Watershed Condition Class (WCC) for YNP, GTNP, NER and RRL           | \$7,000     | Hydrologists Committee              |
| Watershed Condition Class (WCC) maps for GYA                         | \$5,000     | Hydrologists Committee              |
| Reference Multiple Indicator Monitoring Stream Surveys               | \$10,000    | Hydrologists Committee              |

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| <b>Ecosystem Health: Whitebark Pine</b>                                     |          |                   |
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| GYA Whitebark Pine Seed Orchard Support                                     | \$8,000  | WB Pine Committee |
| Whitebark Pine Strategy Data Management, Database Establishment and Support | \$7,000  | WB Pine Committee |
| Hill Creek Prescribed Fire Whitebark Pine Restoration                       | \$13,500 | WB Pine Committee |
| Cooke City Whitebark Pine Project   | \$32,500 | WB Pine Committee |

| <b>Sustainable Operations</b>                 |          |               |
|---|----------|---------------|
| Building Assessments for Energy and Water Use | \$12,000 | SOS Committee |
| Saving Water with Low-Flow Water Fixtures     | \$6,000  | SOS Committee |

| <b>Connect People to Land</b>                                 |          |                                  |
|---|----------|----------------------------------|
| Outdoor/Natural Social Media with Public Service Announcement | \$15,000 | Connect People to Land Committee |
| Bear Creek Natural Resources Field Camp                       | \$4,500  | Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF          |