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TO: GYCC Unit Managers

Subject: GYCC Project Funding

I am pleased to announce the selection of projects for funding with GYCC project dollars. We received 48 proposals requesting more than \$700,000 in project funds. Unfortunately only \$310,000 was available to distribute, so some worthy projects were not funded. However, projects not funded serve as "shelf stock" in the event additional funds become available, and the submittals provide a good overview of priority needs and partnership opportunities in the Greater Yellowstone Area. The quality of the proposals and partnerships given the short planning horizon was noteworthy.

Projects were ranked based on the criteria listed below. Selected projects typically ranked high in at least 2 of the 3 criteria:

Strategic fit: How well does the project meet GYCC priorities?

- 3- strong fit with GYCC priorities (lands, water, fish, weeds);
- 2- meets second tier priorities (data mgmt, whitebark, public info/rec);
- 1- important but not on priority list.

Application: How well does the project advance goals for the entire GYCC ecosystem versus a single unit?

- 3- benefits span the entire ecosystem;
- 2- benefits more than 1 unit;
- 1- primarily benefits 1 unit.

Leverage resources: How well does the project incorporate partnerships and leverage resources?

- 3- project funds are leveraged greater than 1:1 match;
- 2- project funds are leveraged but less than 1:1 match;





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1- project funds are not leveraged.

A list of approved projects by unit follows.

UNIT	PROJECT	AMOUNT	KEY CONTACT
B-D NF	Madison RD backcountry weed mgmt.	10,000	Kevin Suzuki
B-D NF	Gravelly Mtns land exchange	5,000	William Avey
B-T NF	Teton integrated noxious weed control	12,000	Jim Ozenberger
B-T NF	Teton Wilderness salt site study	10,000	Eric Sandeno
B-T NF	Teton Division visitor support	6,000	Judy Robinson
CNF	Yellowstone Cutthroat interp display	5,000	Scot Shuler
CNF	Yellowstone R. Yellowstone cutthroat (YCT) Study	10,000	Bruce May
C-T NF	Noxious weed inventory & mapping	10,000	Dusty Hincks
C-T NF	Role of beaver in trout habitat & hydrologic function	4,500	Lee Mabey
C-T NF	Pine Creek fish weir	10,000	James Capurso
C-T NF	YCT distribution surveys- S Fk Snake.	6,000	James Capurso
C-T NF	Whitebark Pine planting	3,000	Melissa Jenkins
GNF	West Yellowstone Public Lands info desk	5,000	Stan Benes
GNF	Gardiner Basin noxious weed inventory	5,000	Dan Tyers
GNF	Royal Teton Ranch lands work	15,000	Bob Dennee
GNF	Impact of backcountry use on large carnivores	5,500	Dan Tyers
GNF	Whitebark planting	5,000	Roger Gowan
GNF	Yellowstone Cutthroat (YCT) video	3,000	Bruce May
GT NP thru B-T NF	Gros Ventre River spotted knapweed project	20,000	Bob Schiller





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GTNP thru CT-NF	Wolverine survey and monitoring	10,000	Bob Schiller
GYCC thru CNF	Hyper spectral remote sensing of whitebark (WBP) pine	30,000	Larry Timchak
GYCC thru CNF	Executive Director office support	5,000	Larry Timchak
GYCC thru GNF	Interagency spatial analysis support	20,000	Henry Shovic
GYCC thru GNF	Ride the right trail	10,000	Kimberly Schlenker
GYCC thru GNF	YCT population viability assessment	20,000	Bruce May
GYCC thru GNF	Greater Yellowstone Soil and Landscape model	20,000	Henry Shovic
SNF	Shoshone invasive species project	15,000	Kent Houston
SNF	Whitebark Pine Planting	15,000	Roy Bergstrom
YNP	GYCC noxious weed inventory	5,000	Craig McClure
YNP	Distribution map for cutthroat trout and grayling	5,000	Ann Rodman
YNP thru GNF	West Yellowstone visitor services	5,000	Stan Benes

Funds will be sent to units as quickly as possible, pending final reprogramming adjustments. The Northern Region budget group will allocate the funds to individual units. Larry Timchak will notify you when funds are sent to units.

The \$20,000 for the GYCC Yellowstone Cutthroat viability assessment will help cover individual unit travel and salary costs necessary to develop a GYA assessment. Bruce May, Inland Cutthroat Conservation Coordinator, Gallatin NF, will coordinate this effort and manage these funds.

We are working to secure project funds for out years. If funds are secured, we will initiate project requests early in the fiscal year to provide additional time for planning, partnership development, and project implementation. Our ability to compete for funds depends upon our ability to demonstrate results and accomplishments. Please take a picture or send us news about positive results associated with these projects.





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Feedback on this year's process, advice for next year, and questions regarding fund allocation should be directed to Larry Timchak at 406-657-6900.

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Chair

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