



## **Madison-Gallatin Chapter**

### **Wilderness Grant - Request for Proposals**

Wild lands are an integral part of our identity as Montanans. Montana Wilderness Association's mission is to work with communities to protect Montana's wilderness heritage, quiet beauty and outdoor traditions, now and for future generations. We envision a future where, from the rugged mountains to the vast prairies, Montana's wild places are protected, connected, and restored because Montanans value wilderness as essential to our heritage and way of life. The Madison-Gallatin Chapter of Montana Wilderness Association (MWA) invites you to apply for a mini grant aiming to enhance Montana's wilderness and wild lands, the public's enjoyment and understanding of wild lands, interactions between wildlife, habitat and recreationalists, and other creative research and activities in furtherance of wilderness values.

This is a flexible program, but preference will be given to publishable research that focuses on southwestern and south-central Montana. MWA's Madison-Gallatin Chapter spans portions of Park, Gallatin and Madison counties, and we aim to fund projects that are geographically, biologically or socially related within these areas. Please consider applying if you have research interests in the Madison, Gallatin, Absaroka, Bridger, Gravely, Tobacco Root or Crazy mountain ranges. We're actively involved in protecting the Lee Metcalf and Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness areas as well as the Hyalite-Porcupine-Buffalo Horn Wilderness Study Area. It's not required that you have a direct tie-in to these areas; however, proposals with such a tie-in will be looked upon favorably.

#### **Requirements**

This mini grant program is open to the public. The **deadline for 2020 proposals is June 30, 2020**. Grants will be awarded by July 31, 2020, as determined by the Madison-Gallatin Chapter board of directors.

- A written summary report of your project must be submitted by October 31, 2020, *or* a presentation given at an MWA approved event by December 31, 2020. Checks will be issued during the month following submission and acceptance of the final report or completion of a presentation.
- Rights to publish research findings and reports will be shared equally by MWA and the researcher.
- Please note that grant money will be paid directly to the researcher who will be responsible for complying with any academic research requirements.

## Proposal Outline

Please address the following in your proposal:

- **Project Title:** A brief title that adequately summarizes your project.
- **Project Description:** A description of your project including (1) purpose, (2) methods, (3) expected benefits to wildlife, public land conservation or wilderness areas, and how it may contribute to MWA's mission (4) research location, (5) any proposed collaborators, (6) list of any other funding sources (1,000 word limit).
- **Project Timeline:** Detailed plans of when research is to be conducted and when deliverables are expected.
- **Project Budget:** An explanation of how the funds will be used including the funding amount requested. MWA expects to fund individual grants between \$100 and \$1000.

The proposal should be sent by email to **Mikaela Howie** with a **Subject of MWA Wilderness Grant:**  
email: [mikaelagioiahowie@gmail.com](mailto:mikaelagioiahowie@gmail.com)

If you have questions, please call:  
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