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**PROJECT ABSTRACT**

**Colorado Plateau Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit**

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**Park:** Bryce Canyon National Park

**Project Title:** Under-the-Rim Archeological Inventory

**Funding Amount:** $29,500

**CPCESU Partner Institution:** Southern Utah University (SUU)

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**Abstract:**

The Department of History, Sociology, and Anthropology at Southern Utah University proposes to participate with staff from the Bryce Canyon National Park in a program of archeological site inventory and training on lands below the rim in Bryce Canyon National Park. During this project, archeological sites will be identified, documented, and evaluated for eligibility for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Data collected as a result of this archeological inventory will provide a more comprehensive understanding of human use patterns and the distribution of archeological sites in this portion of Bryce Canyon National Park. The program will determine methods and materials, demonstrate “hands on” techniques, and provide both students and the park with training opportunities and tools in order to identify, document, and assess prehistoric and historic archeological resources found in southern Utah.

It is anticipated that this project will include educational and training components, and that university students and NPS staff will be directly involved in portions of the work that may include: participation in the field identification and documentation work; participation in the organization of site-collected data and its analysis; and preparation of technical reports.

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