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**End Date:** December 31, 2013

**PROJECT ABSTRACT:**

This project will fund approximately one-half of a student internship to assist in planning and conducting a BioBlitz event at Cedar Breaks National Monument. A BioBlitz is a 24-hour biological survey of an area to see how many species can be documented within that time frame. The event brings the public together with scientists, content experts, and researchers. Additional goals for the event are to promote community engagement and provide educational activities for visitors and gateway community members.

A student intern, hired through the Intergovernmental Internship Cooperative (IIC) at Southern Utah University, will be utilized to assist Cedar Breaks staff to engage scientists, volunteers, students, and other partners in the event. There will be a substantive educational component to this project for the intern. The student intern will summarize work progress in monthly meetings with the faculty supervisor (to be identified). The student intern, faculty supervisor, and appropriate NPS staff will meet at least twice during the internship period.