



FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS™
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Carter G. Kruse
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Dear Carter

The Federation of Fly Fishers is creating an educational booklet that focuses on the fisheries that Lewis and Clark encountered on their expedition. The booklet will be available in October 2008. The 24-page booklet will target middle school age audience and will contain details on native fish species, their conservation, experiences of Lewis and Clark and fishing accounts. The booklet will be accompanied by a teacher/educator guide. The booklet is inspired by our Fly Fishing Discovery exhibit “Undaunted Anglers”. I have enclosed a draft of the booklet cover.

We are graciously requesting that the Montana AFS support the printing and distribution of this booklet to children and educators across the Montana with a donation of \$1,000. These funds will be used directly for the printing and we can include the MT AFS logo on the booklet back cover. We will make booklets available at the 2009 MT AFS meeting for attendees.

Thank you for consideration of this request. If you have additional questions regarding the booklet or the donation, please contact me directly.

Kind regards,

Leah Elwell
Conservation Coordinator

Attached:
Draft Booklet cover image
Application

Montana Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
Resource Action Fund Grant Request

The ExCom will review funding requests for the MCAFS Resource Action Fund. For more details please see the MCAFS web page at www.fisheries.org/AFSmontana, or contact an ExCom member.

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

a. Applicant Name _____ Federation of Fly Fishers _____

Mailing Address _____ 215 East Lewis St., Suite 305 _____

City or Town _____ Livingston _____ State _____ MT _____ Zip _____ 59047 _____

Telephone _____ 406-222-9369 ext 102 _____

b. Contact person if different than above _____ Leah Elwell – Conservation Coordinator _____

Address if different than applicant _____

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II. PROJECT INFORMATION (attach additional pages as needed)

a. Project Title _____ Undaunted Anglers Phase III – Education booklet _____

b. Purpose of Project (goals and objectives) _____

The purpose of this project is to educate middle school age students about fish and the fishing that Lewis and Clark were exposed to during their Expedition. Our objective is to create an educational booklet and accompanying teacher’s activity guide that will serve as a student reference to the importance of fish documentation and discovery from the Expedition and provide a resource on fish that relates the Lewis and Clark Expedition to young people.

c. **Brief Project Description:**

Based on the comprehensive visual museum exhibit created and housed at the Fly Fishing Discovery Center, a 24-page booklet will describe the fish, fishing and Expedition of Lewis and Clark. An accompanying teacher’s guide will provide suggestions for activities and lesson plans. The booklet will teach about the connections of Native Americans to the fish, the various ways that the Corps fished for science, food and recreation and, conservation of our fisheries. FFF will make available 500 copies of the booklet at the next Annual MT AFS meeting. See attached image of a draft version of the booklet cover. The guide will focus on resources that are currently available rather than creating a new set of activities.

d. Project Starting Date September 30, 2007

e. Project Completion Date September 30, 2008

III. PROJECT BUDGET

a. RAF Grant Request (dollars) **\$1,000** for printing of booklet _____

b. Contribution from Other Sources **\$15,000** from NPS for development of the booklet, acquisition of images, and some printing costs. _____

c. Total Project Cost \$15,000

d. Have Other Funding Sources Been Secured? Funding from NPS is secured; requests are being reviewed by MTFWP, WDAFS and MOSS _____

e. Names and Amounts of Other Funding Sources _____

\$15,000 from NPS for development of the booklet and acquisition of images;

f. Is MCAFS the Only Source of Funding for this Project? No _____

Why or Why not? This project required a significant amount of funding to execute. This specific ask of funding to MT AFS will aid in disseminating the product to students and teachers via the FFF and MTFWP.

IV. PROJECT BENEFITS (attach additional pages as needed)

a. Benefits to Native Species

The booklet describes several species of interest that Lewis and Clark saw on their journey. There is reference to the change in fisheries over the last 200 years and that species are in peril. Providing students with information on the fisheries of the past and the present will give them background to be advocates for our fisheries and interest to become anglers.

b. Short Term Benefits to the Fisheries Resource

The booklet will provide pertinent information on fish and fisheries to our Montana students.

c. Long Term Benefits to the Fisheries Resource

Students will have gained appreciation for the diverse fisheries of Montana and will create stewards for our fisheries.

d. Does this Project Have the Support of an Appropriate MCAFS Committee? No

If so, which Committee? _____