

**LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL  
PROJECTS FOR MONTANA**

**September, 2000**

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Dear Michelle:

I am pleased, on behalf of the Montana Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission, to forward the enclosed project report detailing Montana Lewis & Clark projects to the National Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council. We are providing this information in hard copy and on disk.

This second submission of projects, dated '**September, 2000**', reflects a diversity of thirty four (34) projects that have been reviewed, analyzed and identified as 'Tier I Projects' within Montana's new Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Master Plan. Included in this Tier I list are community-oriented, tribal and state agency projects that reflect a combined funding need of \$22,526,280 (excluding Montana's 3 signature events). Federal agency projects are not included in this submission to the National Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council, however Montana's new Master Plan does detail the many critical Bicentennial projects being proposed by key federal agencies in Montana.

Identified within the '**September 2000**' project list, the Montana Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission has identified Montana's "Top 2 Most Nationally Significant" projects. They are the Pompey's Pillar Interpretive Center and Travelers' Rest Campsite Preservation projects depicted within the enclosed project report as pages (i) and (v). Additionally, the Montana Commission has identified one unique project as "Most Nationally Significant Trail-Wide," which is page (viii) within the report. All of Montana's Tier I projects are listed by category code as well.

As always the Montana Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission is very supportive of all efforts made by the National Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council to secure funding both from Congress and from private sector sources. Please contact me immediately should you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Clint Blackwood  
Executive Director  
Montana Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission

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LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY

**2000 LISTING**

**Project Name:**

Pompeys Pillar Interpretive Center

**Location of Project:**

Pompeys Pillar, 28 miles east of Billings, Yellowstone County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Pompeys Pillar Historic Association		
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**Other Sponsors:**

Bureau of Land Management, Billings

**Project Description:**

On July 25, 1806, William Clark carved his name onto a 200-foot sandstone outcropping and referred to the site as "Pompey's Tower" in honor of Sacagawea's young son. It remains the only visible evidence of the Expedition along the entire Trail. The BLM acquired the Pompeys Pillar National Historic Landmark and surrounding land in November 1991, which is located about 30 miles east of Billings adjacent to Interstate 94. The area has remarkable historical, cultural, geological and natural significance. The planned interpretive center will highlight the history of the Pillar and surrounding area, Clark's return trip down the Yellowstone, and the indigenous peoples of the area. As a major destination facility, it will provide significant economic benefit to the region. An Environmental Assessment is underway. Public comments are being sought on four proposed options for the facility design and site plan. The range of alternatives contained in the planning document consider the interpretive center at various locations, as well as an option that includes a partnership with the Montana Dept. of Transportation to develop a rest area facility near the interstate exit and adjacent to the site entrance.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$9.4 million	Funded to Date:	\$2 million
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**Support:**

The BLM, many local organizations, groups and individuals support the interpretive center. The Pompeys Pillar Historical Association (PPHA) currently has a fund-raising sub-committee dedicated to raising the matching funds for the \$2 million appropriation to leverage support for the interpretive center. Partners include the Montana Dept. of Transportation, Billings Chamber of Commerce, and regional schoolchildren.

**Project Status:**

The BLM and State of Montana are conducting the Environmental Assessment. The PPHA has launched their fund-raising efforts. Numerous programs are conducted on-site already, ranging from a "school day" program to "Clark Day" to commemorate the date Clark inscribed his name. The site is publicly-owned by BLM.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: **1 of 2 - Montana's Most Nationally Significant Projects**

**Other Comments:**

Challenge will be raising the matching funds for the \$2 million in appropriations already secured from Congress, and the additional funds necessary to complete the building of an interpretive center at Pompeys Pillar National Historic Landmark.

**POMPEYS PILLAR NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK**

**September 15, 2000**

## **LOCATION**

Pompeys Pillar overlooks the Yellowstone River about 25 miles east of Billings, Montana. The area is easily accessible from Interstate 94, using exit 23, or from State Highway 312. The 473-acre site includes a 107-acre island under Bureau of Land Management administration and 366 acres contiguous to the island that the BLM acquired in 1991.

## **OWNERSHIP HISTORY**

Pompeys Pillar was part of the original 1803 Louisiana Purchase. It was part of the public domain until 1868 when a treaty made it part of the Crow Indian Reservation. It remained in the Reservation until 1904. The action removing the area from the Reservation gave Crow Tribal members the first right to homestead the lands. Homesteading occurred, and subsequently, the area had numerous owners until 1955 when the Foote family purchased the property. From 1956 to 1958 the Footes opened the area as a "fee site." From 1958 to 1966 the area was closed, reopening again as a "fee site" following Pompeys Pillar's designation as a National Historic Landmark in late 1965. After the 1989 tourist season, rising insurance costs forced the closure of the area. In December 1989, interested groups and citizens, along with public agencies including the Bureau of Land Management, formed an action group to explore ways to protect the site and get it back into public ownership. These efforts culminated in November 1991 when BLM purchased the Historic Landmark and surrounding land for \$879,621. BLM spent the next several months preparing the area for public visitation, making improvements needed to ensure public health and safety, and constructing a modest, temporary visitor contact station. The site was reopened to the public in May 1992. The action group formed in 1989 led to the creation of the Pompeys Pillar Historical Association that assists BLM in managing the site.

## **DESCRIPTION**

### *Historical Significance*

Pompeys Pillar is currently a designated National Historic Landmark. The Pillar is a sandstone butte covering about 2 acres at its base and standing about 150 feet high. Because it is the only sandstone outcrop on the south side of the Yellowstone for several miles in either direction, it has been a landmark for centuries. During his return trip to St. Louis, Captain William Clark of the Lewis and Clark Expedition climbed the Pillar and carved his signature and the date in the sandstone. Clark wrote, "*This rock I ascended and from it's top had a most extensive view in every direction on the Northerly Side of the river high romantic Clifts approach & jut over the water for Some distance both above and below...I marked my name and the day of the month and year.*" This action and the fact that it was recorded makes his carved signature and date highly significant. While archeological digs and other recent research have uncovered artifacts that may have been left by the Corps of Discovery, Clark's inscription is still the only remaining physical evidence of Lewis and Clark's passing visible on their actual route. This historic carving on the sandstone butte that Clark called a "*remarkable rock*" has inspired generations of visitors for more than 100 years.

In his journals, Clark named the rock Pompey's Tower. Pompey was Clark's nickname for young Baptiste Charbonneau, infant son of Sacagawea, the Shoshoni woman who acted as both interpreter and guide for the party. The landmark's name was changed to Pompeys Pillar when Lewis and Clark's journals were published in 1814.

Pompeys Pillar is at a natural ford in the Yellowstone River. In addition, the mouth of Pompeys Pillar Creek on the north side of Yellowstone and the mouth of Fly Creek on the south form natural passageways leading to the river ford at Pompeys Pillar. As a result, the area has been a crossroads throughout history for hunters and their prey such as the once-prominent buffalo herds. In addition to Clark's signature, the sandstone is marked with literally hundreds of other etchings and drawings. Clark noted evidence of Native American use, "*The Indians have made 2 piles of Stone on top of this Tower. The natives have ingraved on the face of this rock the figures of animals....*" Fur trappers of the early 1800s, military expeditions, railroad workers, and early settlers used the sandstone as a registry of their passing. In a very real sense, Pompeys Pillar's sandstone facets hold a vivid history of the unfolding West.

### ***Cultural and Native American Significance***

Archaeological evidence of past occupation of the Pillar area by Native Americans has been discovered at various depths below ground. These materials appear to be the remains of hunting and living camps, probably occupied by relatively small groups of people for short periods of time. The remains of butchered bison and other animals along with mussels from the nearby Yellowstone River are scattered among flaked stone tools and debris around small surface hearths. The ancient camps were buried by slow-moving flood waters soon after abandonment, preserving organic and other materials in place, with later occupations leaving remains on the new, higher surfaces.

The Yellowstone River has long been of significance to the Crow people. Clark made several entries in his journals seeing "signs" of the Crow, but never actually encountered them. On July 18, 1806, he noted seeing the "Smoke" of the Crow Indians. On July 19<sup>th</sup>, the Clark party passed an "old indian fort on an island," and one expedition member, George Shannon, reported that there was a "remarkable Lodge" downstream near the mouth of the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone River (now owned by BLM). The Yellowstone Valley has long been the heart of Crow Country and is steeped in Crow history.

### ***Abundant Wildlife***

But the area is more than a static piece of history or a crossroads for bygone cultures. It is alive with wildlife. Clark noted seeing wildlife in abundance here and elsewhere along the Yellowstone, "*for me to mention or give an estimate of the different Species of wild animals on this river particularly Buffalow, Elk Antelopes & Wolves would be incredible. I shall therefore be silent on the subject further.*" Pompeys Pillar is still home to many wildlife species and serves area communities as a viewing area. More than 100 different bird species have been counted in the area including owls, sandpipers, terns and bald eagles. Deer, fox, coyotes, raccoons and numerous small mammals, amphibians and reptiles call the Pillar home. Much of the wildlife population is a result of the site's thriving riparian zone, a healthy plant community of grasses, willows and cottonwood trees that stabilize the river bank and provide important habitat. Today's existing ecosystem at the Pillar is typical of the Yellowstone Valley as Clark would have seen it in 1806. Some of the upland junipers growing around the pillar itself were here hundreds of years before Clark made his historic stop.

### ***Geology and Paleontology Features***

Visitors also see the area's geologic roots from the Hell Creek formation that has been exposed by the unbridled Yellowstone River as it winds through bottom lands filled with towering cottonwood trees on one bank and the sandstone cliffs dotted with pine and sagebrush on the other. Between Billings and Pompeys Pillar, the rock formations become younger. Pompeys Pillar and the cliffs along the north bank of the river across from the Pillar, are composed of sandstones and shales of the Hell Creek Formation. This formation has been found to contain the fossilized remains of dinosaurs and primitive mammals. Clark may be the first to record a paleontological find in the area, "*Dureing the time the men were getting the two big horns which I had killed to the river I employed my Self in getting pieces of the rib of a fish which was Semented within the face of the rock. ..it is 3 feet in length tho a part of the end appears to*

*have been broken off*” (It is thought that this reference is to the discovery of a fossilized rib in the uppermost Cretaceous Hell Creek Formation. The rib probably came from a terrestrial dinosaur. The most common terrestrial dinosaurs of that period in this area were Hadrosaurus, Triceratops, Albertosaurus and Tyrannosaurus.)

Pompeys Pillar is truly a living classroom that teaches history, zoology, botany, paleontology, archeology and geology.

### **VISITATION**

Since BLM opened the site in 1991, visitation has increased steadily and will approach 50,000 during this year’s operating season, generally speaking from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Annual visitation is expected to rise to about 200,000 during the L&C Bicentennial in part due to a new interpretive center that is planned at the site. In a recent study, the University of Montana Institute for Travel and Recreation Research projected that Pompeys Pillar was likely to be visited by 39 percent of all L&C travelers to Montana during the Bicentennial. Long-term visitation is expected to be approximately 80-90,000 visitors per year, based on visitation statistics at similar facilities.

### **PLANNING**

An amendment to BLM’s Billings Resource Management Plan was completed in 1996 to include management of Pompeys Pillar. Decisions from that document included developing an interpretive center to replace the small contact station and establishing a setting around the pillar escarpment reminiscent of 1806 when Clark visited the site. A site plan, architectural design and environmental assessment are currently being completed to implement these decisions. A series of public meetings have been held regarding the interpretive center, and various partnership options, and an Interpretive Prospectus has been completed.

An analysis is underway regarding long-term facilities operation and maintenance and should be included in a business and marketing plan, expected to be complete this winter.

### **FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

The Pompeys Pillar Historical Association (PPHA) has provided substantial and critical support for the landmark. This 200-member, nonprofit organization supplies more than 30 volunteers to assist visitors at the site and to operate the visitor contact station bookstore. Profits from this enterprise assist with operation of the landmark. More than 1,600 hours of volunteer time are donated *each year*. Pompeys Pillar NHL is operating under the Bureau’s fee-demo program, where funds are collected on-site and generated back into maintenance and improvement of the facility. The PPHA also operates a sales area in the existing facility to generate funds that are used to improve the site.

When BLM acquired the site in 1991, a temporary 850 square foot facility was put in place to meet the immediate needs of visitors. The vision from the date of acquisition was to construct an interpretive facility that told the stories of Clark on the Yellowstone and the tribal nations in the area. A total of \$9.4 million is needed to fund the construction of the center. Currently, the PPHA is working to raise \$2 million to match a like amount (\$2 million) appropriated by Congress for interpretive center construction. The BLM and PPHA are working to secure an additional \$5.4 million to complete the \$9.4 million. The facility will serve as a gateway to Eastern Montana communities, benefit local economies and serve as a regional resource for interpretive and educational programs.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Travelers' Rest Campsite Preservation (Archaeological Assessment, Acquisition, Interpretive Center Feasibility Analysis/Business Plan)

**Location of Project:**

Lolo, Missoula County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

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**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The Corps of Discovery camped at Travelers' Rest near Lolo both in 1805 and 1806 – a site which was a centuries-old Native American crossroads (as evidenced by tipi rings which exist in unprecedented numbers and concentrations). Travelers' Rest is listed as one of the nation's "11 Most Endangered Historic Sites" by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the White House Millennium Council's "Save America's Treasures" project list. The historical archaeology assessment will validate and verify the site's location using high-tech geophysical methods such as magnetometer analysis and metal detection. Residential development already has destroyed key values on one parcel at the 130-acre site. Remaining endangered land can only be protected through purchase or easement.

The Travelers' Rest campsite located near Lolo, Montana not only is historically significant, it also is strategically positioned at crossroads of U.S. Highways 12 & 93 along the Trail, seven miles from Missoula. Following completion of site archeology and land acquisition (both in progress), an interpretive/visitor facility is proposed at Travelers' Rest. The facility will highlight the Expedition's stays at the site in both 1805 and 1806, as well as the Native American and Corps of Discovery trails through the Bitterroot Valley and Lolo Pass. It will serve as a gateway facility to the historic sites, routes and points of interest throughout the valley, benefiting the regional economy. A feasibility analysis and business plan will determine the most appropriate type and size of facility for the area, its visitors and the communities. Following the analysis, facility planning, design and construction will commence.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$2.7 million	Funded to Date:	\$463,000
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**Support:**

The partners named in the project's MOU have received \$30,000, Save America's Treasures Preservation Planning Fund; \$30,000, Natl. Park Service Challenge Grant; \$19,000, private donors; \$8,000, National Trust for Historic Preservation Johanna Favrot Fund. The Travelers' Rest Preservation Project is funded with a \$200,000 grant from the Dept. of HUD and funds two staffers dedicated exclusively to this 3-phase project. A \$22,000 grant was awarded by the Montana L&C Bicentennial Commission in June, 2000 for the archaeology assessment. A total of \$154,000 has been privately donated for acquisition of a single parcel.

**Project Status:**

The historical archaeology investigation phase is ongoing. Four acres have been preserved and options to purchase additional acres will be secured in the summer of 2000. Private and agency partnerships are developing, as are preliminary plans for interpretation. MCDC operates with a MOU signed by Missoula City/County and the Travelers' Rest Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: **2 of 2 of Montana's Most Nationally Significant Projects**

**Other Comments:**

Challenge will be the timely completion of the project in light of pressing residential development.



## **Travelers' Rest Preservation Project Lolo, Montana**

### **An Historic Beginning**

Travelers' Rest is a key Lewis and Clark and Native American historical site located in the unincorporated town of Lolo, Montana, in Missoula County. Made up of a dozen privately owned parcels, the 80 acres are largely undisturbed by plow or development and contain significant evidence of use by Native Americans for perhaps 12,000 years. It is hoped that physical evidence from the Corps of Discovery's visits in 1805 and 1806 will be found as well. The site represents the meeting of white and Native cultures; indeed, its historical interpretation will revolve around this complex theme.

Travelers' Rest has been recognized by the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP), the National Park Service, and First Lady Hillary Clinton's Office with a prestigious "Saving America's Treasures" designation. In 1999, it was awarded a spot on the "America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places" listing from the National Trust. Also that year, the site archaeologist and local chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation were featured in a History Channel documentary. A unique partnership of local community members, a Trail Heritage Foundation chapter, federal agency partners, local government, and national nonprofits has formed to protect Travelers' Rest from rapid residential development. The community was awarded a Housing and Urban Development grant of \$200,000 to form a community development corporation focused on the effort. The Montana Community Development Corporation (MCDC), a long-standing CDC with a strong track record in raising funds and administering community projects, is "incubating" the new organization.

In early 2000, a four-acre parcel was dramatically withdrawn from imminent development by NTHP-member philanthropists. However, 80 acres and a critical access parcel remain vulnerable. MCDC's Travelers' Rest Preservation Project is working to simultaneously carry out a large-scale archaeological study and develop a long-term management strategy for the site, even as it seeks funding to acquire easements and ownership that will protect this site from development and disturbance.

### **Anticipated Project Timeline**

- Fall 2000: Historical archaeology investigation, develop annual operating costs budget and complete market feasibility for visitor facility, develop donor database, establish outreach program
- Winter/Spring 2001: Develop fundraising strategy, expand news dissemination, form community development corporation
- Fiscal Year 2002: Finalize community-based plans for land ownership and site interpretation, public review and comments on draft project concept, capital campaign, continue work with partners to acquire lands or interest in lands
- Ongoing: Build strong relationships with Native American tribes, raise funds for acquisition of endangered parcels, develop relationships with land management agencies

### **Partners**

Community of Lolo  
Confederated Salish and Kootenia, Nez Perce and Lemhi-Shoshone Tribes  
National Park Service  
U.S. Forest Service  
National Trust for Historic Preservation  
O'Connor Center for the Rocky Mountain West  
The Conservation Fund  
Travelers' Rest Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation  
Department of Housing and Urban Development

### **Funding Sources**

Department of Housing and Urban Development	National Park Service
Montana Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission	Private individuals
National Trust for Historic Preservation	
National Park Service	

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Archaeological Discovery of Selected Lewis & Clark Expedition Campsites

**Location of Project:**

Madison Co., IL; Corson Co., SD; McLean Co., ND; Chouteau, Cascade & Yellowstone Co's, MT; Idaho Co, ID; Pacific Co., WA

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Museum of the Rockies		
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**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The discovery, scientific documentation, preservation, and interpretation of selected Lewis & Clark Expedition campsites have been ongoing since 1987 in the nation's only sustained archaeological search for Lewis & Clark. The Lower Portage Site at Great Falls is one of twelve campsites in seven states currently proposed for discovery, and additional sites in Montana are being considered.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$405,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

The State of Montana, National Geographic Society, National Park Service, Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Kampgrounds of America, and individual donors have donated over \$500,000 to the nation's only sustained archaeological search for Lewis and Clark.

**Project Status:**

This research has been ongoing since 1987 and will continue at least through 2006.

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**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: **Most nationally significant trailwide project.**

**Other Comments:**

The greatest challenge has been and will continue to be interpreting the original journals and maps to detect their internal inconsistencies and to accurately document western landscapes that have, in some cases, dramatically changed since the time of Lewis and Clark. Funds requested in this proposal will hire and maintain field archaeology crews at 12 sites, conduct scientific analysis of evidence and report results for popular and professional journals and integrate results into exhibits.

## MONTANA PROJECTS BY CATEGORY CODE

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**Project Name:**

Crimson Bluffs Site Preservation (Land Acquisition)

**Location of Project:**

Townsend, Broadwater County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Crimson Bluffs Chapter, Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

Lewis described the Crimson Bluffs site near Townsend as "a remarkable bluff of a crimson coloured earth on the Starboard intermixed with Stratas of black and brick red slate..." (July 24, 1805). Current access to the site is from the Missouri River and footpath, and visitors are taking samples of the "crimson coloured earth". Purchase of the site is needed to protect it from further damage.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$151,000	Funded to Date:	\$1,000
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**Support:**

The Prickly Pear Conservation Easement Corporation and the Crimson Bluffs Chapter support the project. Partnerships will be formed which will provided funding and in-kind contributions from the Greater Broadwater Heritage Council, Townsend Ranger District, Helena National Forest, Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks; Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce; Broadwater Co. Commissioners; City of Townsend; Broadwater County Historical Society; the Outfitting Industry; and the Broadwater County Development Corporation.

**Project Status:**

The Crimson Bluffs Chapter of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation is currently negotiating with the Prickly Pear Conservation Corporation to purchase the property. The private landowner resides in Utah and is willing to sell this property. Funding is needed to proceed with the project.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

Challenges include securing finances, protection, enhancement and providing education related to this heritage site on the Missouri River.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Camp Disappointment Monument Renovation

**Location of Project:**

Near Browning, Glacier County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Golden Triangle Tri-County Lewis and Clark Commission		
Contact Name/Title	Paul Tuss, Executive Director, GAIN, Inc.		
Address/State/ZIP	P.O. Box 1329, Cut Bank	MT	59427
Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 873-2337	(406) 873-2337	
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The Camp Disappointment monument was erected in 1926 by James J. Hill of the Great Northern Railway, and marked the nearest point the railway came to Camp Disappointment. The monument is in disrepair and requires renovation.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$11,500	Funded to Date:	\$4,000
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**Support:**

Non-financial, in-kind, volunteer support for this project has been preliminarily secured from the area's local Boy Scout organizations. Substantial support for these projects exist from the following: Glacier, Pondera and Teton County Commissioners; Cut Bank and Conrad Chambers of Commerce, Valier Development Corp.; and Glacier Action and Involvement Now (GAIN).

**Project Status:**

Since the monument is already in existence, this renovation could be accomplished in a relatively short period of time.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

No challenges are anticipated. The funds will be used for renovation of the existing monument.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Tribal Oral History Preservation

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission		
Contact Name/Title	Clint Blackwood, Exec. Dir.		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 443-2109	(406) 841-4004	<a href="mailto:cblackwood@state.mt.us">cblackwood@state.mt.us</a>
Website	Montanalewisandclark.org		

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The desire of the Tribes is to protect, preserve and vitalize their language, culture, and history. Oral histories, archives and literature searches will be conducted from 2001 through 2003 to provide additional information about the era of the Lewis & Clark Expedition and to adequately portray the lifestyles of the tribes during those times. Research will be conducted on archival material located throughout the state as well as within the reservations. Tribal elders will be interviewed and their perspectives documented.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$100,000	Funded to Date:	\$21,000
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**Support:**

The following tribes support the project: Assiniboine, Blackfeet, Chippewa-Cree, Crow, Flathead, Gros Ventre, Kootenai, Lemhi Shoshone, Northern Cheyenne, Pend d'Oreille and Salish. The project also has the support of tribal colleges and tourism departments; historians; communities; county commissioners; civic groups, and BIA.

**Project Status:**

The Montana Tribal Tourism Association (MTTA) is currently being formed and will function as a conduit and coordinating body for this project.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Bicentennial Lasting Lands Legacy

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fish, Wildlife & Parks		
Contact Name/Title	Doug Monger, Administrator – Parks Division		
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Website	<a href="http://www.fwp.state.mt.us">http://www.fwp.state.mt.us</a>		

**Other Sponsors:**

Opportunities to partner with public and private agencies are possible.

**Project Description:**

Research will be conducted to determine which Trail sites are considered critical, endangered or extremely interpretable Lewis & Clark components. These sites will have attributes so important to the story that they should be purchased by the State of Montana to remain in public ownership for public enjoyment.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$1,000,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

Support is good for this type of effort.

**Project Status:**

Properties are being examined near the Three Forks of the Missouri and other locations. No specific site has been identified.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**



# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Fort Benton Reconstruction

**Location of Project:**

Fort Benton, Choteau County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fort Benton Restoration Committee		
Contact Name/Title	Sharalee Smith		
Address/State/ZIP	P.O. Box 246, Fort Benton	MT	59442
Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 622-5133		
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

Restoration of Historic Old Fort Benton is planned for completion by 2003. Approximately one quarter of the historic fort has been reconstructed, and research for all other buildings has been completed. The Fort will provide interpretation of the fur trade during the 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, with particular emphasis on Native American involvement. It also will showcase how the "new" technology brought by Lewis & Clark affected the Native Americans

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$1,928,000	Funded to Date:	\$728,000
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**Support:**

The City of Fort Benton, Chouteau County Commissioners, and the River and Plains Society (local museum group) support this project.

**Project Status:**

Approximately one quarter of the Fort is completed. Research for all other buildings has been completed.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

The anticipated challenge will be securing adequate funding in a timeframe that will allow completion and opening of the Fort in time for the Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Celebration.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Statewide Assessment of Community Infrastructure

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission		
Contact Name/Title	Clint Blackwood, Exec. Dir.		
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Website	montanalewisandclar.org		

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

A challenge facing Bicentennial planners is the need for a detailed evaluation of local and county infrastructure. Most communities have not had time to assess the condition of their infrastructure in the context of Bicentennial demands. A statewide assessment will be conducted to evaluate roads, parking, public restrooms and signage in the context of projected visitation and Bicentennial needs.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$100,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

This project has the support of Trail Counties, Cities and State/Federal agencies.

**Project Status:**

The project is in the conceptual design phase awaiting necessary funding.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Lewis & Clark Festival at the Headwaters (Signature Event Proposal)

**Location of Project:**

Whitehall to Twin Bridges to Bozeman, Montana from the confluence of the Mo. River to Beaverhead Rock

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Museum of the Rockies, Montana State University		
Contact Name/Title	Beth Merrick		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 994-5281		
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

Gallatin L&C Bicentennial Association

**Project Description:**

The Festival at the Headwaters is a series of events planned for July 15 – August 8, 2005 in Gallatin and Beaverhead Counties. The Festival will include reenactments, parades, a powwow, children's festival, food, interpretive exhibits and demonstrations, youth encampment, outdoor theater, tours, black powder events, a pageant, lecture series, debate, arts and crafts and a fiddlers jamboree of period music.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$ To Be Determined *	Funded to Date:	\$
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**Support:**

Five chambers of commerce, youth organizations, county commissions, city councils, USFS, Gallatin Valley Land Trust, and Greater Yellowstone Coalition support this project.

**Project Status:**

Proposal has been submitted to National L&C Bicentennial Council for consideration for selection as of 9/18/00.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  X Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  X Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

\* Project is in initial design stage. Detailed costs not delineated at present time. If selected as a Signature Event, sponsorship funding will be solicited as partial funding package.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Discovering the Big Sky Event: Marias to Great Falls (Signature Event Proposal)

**Location of Project:**

Fort Benton to Great Falls, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Portage Route Chapter, Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

Montana Tribal Tourism Alliance, L&C Honor Guard, L&C Interpretive Assn., Univ. of Great Falls, Cascade Co. Historical Society, International Traditional Games Society, Rivers & Plains Society, C.M. Russell Museum, Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, Montana State University.

**Project Description:**

Discovering the Big Sky is a series of events planned for June 2 – July 4, 2005 from Fort Benton to Great Falls. It includes Lewis & Clark camps, tours to L&C sites, Scholar in Residence, speaker series, float trips, Elderhostel, museum tours, reenactments at Old Fort Benton, traditional Indian games, writers symposium, literature fair, state history conference and panel discussions, displays and exhibits, military pageantry, symphony, Old Time Fiddlers, square dancing, youth concerts and Bicentennial web/DVD. Part of Discovering the Big Sky is the Portage of the Great Falls of the Missouri Reenactment: The Lewis & Clark Honor Guard will complete a first person living historical portages around the Great Falls of the Missouri.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$To Be Determined *	Funded to Date:	\$
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**Support:**

National Park Service, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Cities of Great Falls & Fort Benton, Cascade & Chouteau Counties, Montana Historical Society, MT Committee for the Humanities, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana Air National Guard, youth organizations and others.

**Project Status:**

Proposal has been submitted to National L&C Bicentennial Council for consideration for selection as of 9/18/00.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  X Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  X Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

\* Project is in initial design stage. Detailed costs not delineated at present time. If selected as a Signature Event, sponsorship funding will be solicited as partial funding package.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Clark on the Yellowstone (Signature Event Proposal)

**Location of Project:**

Livingston, Montana, to the Confluence of the Yellowstone and Missouri Rivers at the North Dakota border

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Yellowstone County Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission		
Contact Name/Title	J. Jeffrey Dietz, Chair		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406)256-8628		<a href="mailto:dietzjjsl@aol.com">dietzjjsl@aol.com</a>
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

Clark on the Yellowstone is a series of events planned in late July, 2006 from Livingston to the confluence of the Yellowstone and Missouri Rivers at the North Dakota border. It includes a dedication ceremony at Pompeys Pillar on July 25, 2006, commemorative plantings of cottonwood trees, placement of interpretive signs and time capsules, lecture series, Native American fairs and encampments, photo contests, trail rides, river floats, writing contests, rendezvous and reenactments, art displays, exhibits, military demonstrations, nature walks and expansion of Clark Days.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$To Be Determined *	Funded to Date:	\$
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**Support:**

Twelve Montana counties that border the Yellowstone River, including cities and historical societies; BLM, Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Montana Dept of Highways, Pompeys Pillar Historical Association, Rochejohne Chapter of L&C Trail Heritage Foundation support this project.

**Project Status:**

Proposal has been submitted to National L&C Bicentennial Council for consideration for selection as of 9/18/00.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

\* Project is in initial design stage. Detailed costs not delineated at present time. If selected as a Signature Event, sponsorship funding will be solicited as partial funding package.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Headwaters State Park Living History Reenactment

**Location of Project:**

Headwaters State Park, Three Forks, and Museum of the Rockies, Bozeman, both in Gallatin Co., Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Museum of the Rockies		
Contact Name/Title	Ken Karsmizki		
Address/State/ZIP	600 West Kagy Blvd., Bozeman	MT	59717
Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 994-5283		
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

**Project Description:**

A Lewis & Clark living history program and exhibit is planned in 2003 at Headwaters State Park on the Missouri River near Three Forks, and at the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman. Living history actors will impersonate members of the Expedition, and replicated camp exhibits will create a hands-on experience for visitors.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$30,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

This project has the support of the Lewis & Clark Honor Guard, Great Falls, Montana.

**Project Status:**

The project has been approved by the museum's administration and is ready to be implemented upon funding.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: #5 out of 11.

**Other Comments:**

The anticipated challenges are management of parking, crowds and inclement weather arrangements.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Whitehall Amphitheater and Lewis & Clark Drama

**Location of Project:**

Adjacent to Interstate 90 on the North Boulder River 7 miles east of Whitehall, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Whitehall Chamber of Commerce		
Contact Name/Title	Michelle LaFontaine, Pres.		
Address/State/ZIP	P.O. Box 72, Whitehall	MT	59759
Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 287-2260		
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

*Jefferson Valley Presents* theater group

**Project Description:**

An outdoor amphitheater will be erected adjacent to Interstate 90 on the North Boulder River east of Whitehall. An historic drama based on the Lewis & Clark Expedition will be presented during the 90-day season of the theater. Construction plans for 2000-2001 include the amphitheater, a well, electrical, sound, seating, and restrooms. The drama will require script development, props, and operating/start-up capital.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$302,000	Funded to Date:	\$102,000
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**Support:**

Local contractors donated excavation - \$22,000; Volunteers will provide assistance with organization, fundraising and management over one year start-up phase - \$>\$50,000. Will seek investors for part. Target is \$50,000.

**Project Status:**

Group organized in 1999. Script is under development and land and excavation are committed.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

Securing capital, marketing, casting, cash-flow, and management are potential challenges. The group is well organized and is meeting these challenges by following successful formats that are well proven elsewhere in the U.S.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Fort Peck Tribes Reenactment on the Missouri River

**Location of Project:**

Missouri River, Fort Peck, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes		
Contact Name/Title	R. J. Young, Tribal Planning Department		
Address/State/ZIP	P.O. Box 1027, Poplar	MT	59255
Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 768-5155		
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

In 2003, six Lewis & Clark camps will be erected in the approximate original locations along the Missouri River near Fort Peck. Each location will have four tipi lodges, two tarp overhangs, campfire and cooking equipment, and tanning racks. The camps will be used for interpretive programs and reenactments. The Fort Peck tribes will provide personnel, facilities, equipment, and administration.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$36,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

This project is also supported by federal, state and local agencies.

**Project Status:**

The Fort Peck Tribes established a tribal Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Committee for the development and oversight of the program and project initiatives.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  X Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  X Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

Securing necessary funding is the only anticipated challenge.



# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Fort Belknap Tribes Reenactment at James Kipp Park

**Location of Project:**

James Kipp Park on the Missouri River, C. M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge, 1 hr. N.E. of Lewistown, MT

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fort Belknap Tribes		
Contact Name/Title	Darrell Martin, Fort Belknap Tourism Dept.		
Address/State/ZIP	RR 1, Box 66, Harlem	MT	59526
Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 353-8471	(406) 353-2797	
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

A *Lewis & Clark Encampment* will be held through 2006 at James Kipp Park. The event includes an historically accurate presentation of the encounter between the Corps of Discovery and the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes, highlighting the Native American perspective and their reactions to the encounter. Additional research is needed to increase the educational opportunities for the audience, and to expand marketing of the Encampment. Also needed are historically accurate regalia and accoutrements)

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$26,000	Funded to Date:	\$5,500
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**Support:**

Tribal Council, the tourism dept., tribal members, elders, children, communities of Malta, Lewistown, local county commissioners, and local civic groups will be involved in the project. In-kind support will be provided by tribal and non-tribal communities.

**Project Status:**

Reenactment was performed initially during the summer of 1999. From this pilot project, we intend to improve the research and authenticity of the event in 2000 and succeeding years to increase the educational opportunities and to increase the audience. Because reenactment occurs in June, regalia will be completed for 2001 event.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  X Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  X Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: #2 out of 2.

**Other Comments:**

The major challenge is securing adequate funding to complete historically accurate regalia and accoutrements for all the reenactment items. In addition, each year funds are needed for honoraria, rentals, supplies, transportation costs to bring people, horses and equipment to the event site. Funding will also be necessary for publicity and advertising to raise awareness and encourage public attendance.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Crow Tribe Participation in Clark Day at Pompeys Pillar

**Location of Project:**

Pompeys Pillar, 28 miles east of Billings, Crow Reservation, Yellowstone and Bighorn Counties, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Crow Tribe		
Contact Name/Title	Mardell Plainfeather, Extension Agent, LBHC		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 683-7211		<a href="mailto:mardell@lib.lbhc.cc.mt.us">mardell@lib.lbhc.cc.mt.us</a>
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

*Clark Day* is an annual celebration that occurs at Pompeys Pillar, the National Historic Landmark 28 miles east of Billings. Beginning in 2001, the Crow Tribe will provide interpretation and in-kind services to the *Clark Day* organizers and Lewis & Clark planning groups in the Pompeys Pillar area. Involvement also will extend to other joint projects at Expedition sites along the Yellowstone River.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$5,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

The Yellowstone Co. Bicentennial Committee and Rochejhone Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation have indicated interest in working with the Crow tribe on joint projects.

**Project Status:**

Need to communicate with the Clark's Day organizers and other L&C planning groups around Pompeys Pillar and other sites along the Yellowstone River. Planning has not begun because of lack of funding. Tours are being planned separate from Clark's Day, but so far there is now working relationship established for the event.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  X Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

The anticipated challenge is insuring the Crow story is told correctly.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Clark's Yellowstone River Camps Reenactment and Permanent Displays

**Location of Project:**

Yellowstone River at Reedpoint; at Itch Kep Pe Park in Columbus; and at Buffalo Mirage near Park City, MT

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee, Stillwater County		
Contact Name/Title	Walter Marten		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 322-4468		<a href="mailto:Whitebird@peoplepc.com">Whitebird@peoplepc.com</a>
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

William Clark camps will be placed at three locations along the Yellowstone River in Stillwater County. These camps will emulate the original campsites and include permanent structures at each area (an Indian log fort at the Reedpoint site; an Indian war lodge at Itch Kep Pe Park in Columbus; and a dugout canoe demonstration and permanent display at Buffalo Mirage near Park City). Also to be included are kiosks/signage, stages and props for reenactments.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$32,000	Funded to Date:	\$16,000
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**Support:**

The three communities of Reedpoint, Columbus and Park City are fully behind these projects. To date in-kind funds have been secured, but no actual funds have been raised since this project is still in its planning stages.

**Project Status:**

The project is ready to proceed once funding is secured. The reenactment itself will proceed the summer of 2001 with the permanent structures coming as the funding becomes available.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

The anticipated challenge is securing funding. Funding is requested for the construction of camps, stages, signage, kiosks, displays and props for reenactments.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Forsyth Amphitheater & Mural

**Location of Project:**

Riverside Park, Forsyth, Rosebud County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lower Yellowstone River Bicentennial Commission		
Contact Name/Title	Judith Deitz		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

A 250-seat, open-air amphitheater will be erected at Riverside Park in Forsyth. The roofed stage area will include a mural backdrop depicting William Clark and members of the Expedition among the rosebuds on the Yellowstone.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$200,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

The project has the support of Rosebud County, Chamber of Commerce, local volunteer labor, including high school art students.

**Project Status:**

Project is in the preliminary planning stage.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Games of the Past: Traditional Play at the Time of Lewis & Clark

**Location of Project:**

Statewide on all Seven Montana Indian Reservations

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	International Traditional Games Society		
Contact Name/Title	DeeAnna Leader		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The tribes of the seven Reservations in Montana have revived indigenous games representative of tribal culture, including those games played at the time of the Lewis & Clark Expedition. Instruction and participation in traditional tribal games, and an annual competition, will rotate among the seven Montana reservations. The games will provide opportunities for cross-cultural education, and understanding of cultural values and tribal life as practiced before the influx of Europeans. Further research, instructor expenses, and additional planning and marketing of the annual competition are needed. Lead: Seven Montana reservations; Partners: Seven tribal community colleges, Univ. of MT, Montana Committee for the Humanities, Blood Tribe of Canada, Southern Blackfoot Confederacy.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$68,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

Initial support for the concept was received from all 7 Montana reservations, the Southern Blackfoot Confederacy (Canada), all seven tribal community colleges in Montana, The People's Center (Flathead Reservation), and the University of Montana. The Montana Committee for the Humanities and local Blackfeet community members provided financial support. In-kind support was received from the Blood Tribe of Canada and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, as well as all people involved in the initial concept meetings and planning.

**Project Status:**

The first games occurred in August 1999, and plans and funding searches are underway for 2000. Increasing the participation from all seven reservations is projected.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  XE  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

Funding to do research, coordination and planning, as well as educating all tribes about the project and encouraging them to get involved is the greatest challenge. Training coaches and teachers about the games is another funding challenge.

## LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Agency Seasonal Staffing: On-Site Interpreters and Caretakers

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fish, Wildlife & Parks		
Contact Name/Title	Doug Monger, Administrator – Parks Division		
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Website	<a href="http://www.fwp.state.mt.us">http://www.fwp.state.mt.us</a>		

**Other Sponsors:**

Possibility exists to partner with other agencies and local groups to provide interpretive services.

**Project Description:**

Eight full time equivalent positions (8) staff are needed to provide interpretation, maintenance, security, event management and resource protection from 2002 to 2006. Most positions will be seasonal, with some year-round supervision. The Great Falls, Bozeman and Helena areas will require public information staff, seasonal interpreters and maintenance personnel. Seasonal interpreters also are needed in the Glasgow area. Visitor safety staff will be used in all regions.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$200,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

Public interest in face-to-face interpretation of these sites is very high.

**Project Status:**

Proposal for 2001 legislative session will be carried to fund a portion of these FTE needs.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  XO (staff)

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

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# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Montana State Parks Resource Assessments

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fish, Wildlife & Parks		
Contact Name/Title	Doug Monger, Administrator – Parks Division		
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Website	<a href="http://www.fwp.state.mt.us">http://www.fwp.state.mt.us</a>		

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

An interpretive project is planned to systematically complete facility and resource inventories on premier Lewis & Clark sites in State Parks ownership. Data gathering will take place from 2001–2003, and include an inventory of visitor facilities, cultural resource surveys and recording of natural resources. It will prioritize needs of state parks based on visitor impact and known at-risk resources. This work also will provide valuable information in the development of interpretive plans, exhibits and educational materials.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$65,000	Funded to Date:	\$10,000
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**Support:**

Strong support exists from Local Lewis & Clark Chapters, counties civic groups and friends groups; however, no financial support has been made available.

**Project Status:**

Currently two plans are in process.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O (assessment)

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Statewide Safety/EMS Assessment/Plan

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission		
Contact Name/Title	Clint Blackwood, Exec. Dir.		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 443-2109	(406) 841-4004	cblackwood@state.mt.us
Website	Montanalewisandclark.org		

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The Montana Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission will assist in the facilitation and coordination of efforts to identify issues and develop a plan to address statewide safety and emergency medical services needs during the Bicentennial. This will be accomplished in conjunction with the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and affected counties.

The Forest Service proposes two planning strategies will ensure the health, safety and security of the public, while also protecting natural, cultural and heritage resource values. The first addresses the implementation of visitor and event management strategies at Lemhi Pass, Lewis & Clark Pass and Gibbon's Pass. The second addresses emergency and security services in partnership with local sheriffs' offices. An EMS analysis currently is being refined. Implementation will commence in 2001 and continue through 2006.

Emergency contingency planning and implementation is an integral part of the BLM planning process for the Bicentennial, from 2001-2006. The BLM's objective is to enhance emergency and security services for the Headwaters Trail corridor. An interpretive signage program will assist in providing information to safeguard the public.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$150,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

This project has the support of the U.S. Forest Service, BLM and affected counties.

**Project Status:**

The project is in the conceptual design phase awaiting necessary funding.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O (EMS-Safety)

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

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# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Capital Improvements at Montana State Parks

**Location of Project:**

Giant Springs, Great Falls, MT; Missouri Headwaters, Three Forks, MT; Clark's Lookout; Dillon, MT

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fish, Wildlife & Parks		
Contact Name/Title	Doug Monger, Administrator – Parks Division		
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Website	<a href="http://www.fwp.state.mt.us">http://www.fwp.state.mt.us</a>		

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

Infrastructure and capital improvements are necessary at Giant Springs, Missouri Headwaters, and Clarks Lookout State Parks to meet the pressure of increased Bicentennial visitation. Improvements are planned in 2001-2003, based on necessary, modest, and permanent enhancements to roads, campgrounds and picnic areas.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$2 - \$4.8 million	Funded to Date:	\$500,000
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**Support:**

Support is strong for the premier Lewis and Clark sites.

**Project Status:**

Missouri Headwaters planning process started; Clark's Lookout management plan completed to prepare capital request.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Visitor Services and Facilities at Montana State Parks

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Fish, Wildlife & Parks		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 444-3750		dmonger@state.mt.us
Website	http://www.fwp.state.mt.us		

**Other Sponsors:**

It is anticipated that local and corporate sponsors will contribute to special events.

**Project Description:**

FWP will protect resources at five primary and 25 secondary Lewis & Clark sites located in five different regions from 2001–2003. Plans include temporary facilities for additional visitors to augment increased toilet pumping, road maintenance, and equipment for special events as needed. Visitor information items, web site development, reservation systems, exhibit development, and education and interpretive programs also will be included.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$175,000-\$350,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

Excellent support on the part of local communities, agencies and Lewis and Clark interests. These events have great potential to provide visitors with a well-rounded experience.

**Project Status:**

Signature event endorsements have been provided. Additional planning is needed to determine specific events.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H    P/T    I    CD    C/N    ED    E    O  
 Type:  Fed    State    Local    Tribal    Multi-Agency    Private    Pub/Priv    Other  
 Status:  Proposed    Underway    Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

“Confluence of Cultures” Symposium

**Location of Project:**

Helena, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Montana Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission – Education Committee		
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Website	Montanalewisandclark.org		

**Other Sponsors:**

Carroll College

**Project Description:**

A national symposium entitled “A Confluence of Cultures: Native Americans and the Expedition of Lewis & Clark” will be held in late 2001 or early 2002. Symposium planners seek to broaden the circle of Bicentennial interest and give voice to an important but underrepresented perspective. Participants in the symposium will include tribal members and representatives, faculty and students from up to thirty tribal colleges, non-Indian scholars and cultural celebrants

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$50,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

This project has the support of tribal colleges, State University System and L&C Co. Bicentennial Commission.

**Project Status:**

In the initial conceptual design stage, pending agenda focus and funding.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Statewide Interpretive Sign Program

**Location of Project:**

Statewide, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission		
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Website	montanalewisandclark.com		

**Other Sponsors:**

Montana Tourism & Recreation Initiative (MTRI) a coalition of state and federal agencies, Montana Power Co. and the National Park Service.

**Project Description:**

A comprehensive system of Lewis & Clark interpretation is essential to the success of the Bicentennial Commemoration in Montana. Recent studies indicate that non-resident visitors will travel to Montana for many reasons during the Bicentennial, and they will be inclined to extend their stay if appropriate Lewis & Clark interpretive and directional information is readily accessible. Interpretive signs and kiosks are necessary to capture the visitor, educate and persuade them to extend their stay to visit Lewis & Clark sites and activities. Local, state and federal groups have proposed more than 75 interpretive sign placements across the state to increase resident and visitor awareness of the Expedition. A pool of funds will be dedicated for a statewide interpretive sign program. Sponsoring entities will apply for funds, and proposals evaluated based on specified criteria (identification in Statewide Sign Strategy, historical accuracy, location, ownership and maintenance, local support, etc.).

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$500,000	Funded to Date:	\$72,620
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**Support:**

This project has the support of the Montana Department of Transportation, the Montana Historical Society, U.S. Forest Service, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, BLM, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the National Park Service.

**Project Status:**

The Statewide Interpretive Sign Strategy is complete and has been distributed statewide in print, electronic format and on CD, in addition to posting on the Commission's website. In June, 2000, six community grants were awarded for interpretive sign projects totaling \$72,620 out of a total grants program of \$200,000 sponsored by the Montana L&C Bicentennial Commission, Mont. Dept. of Transportation and Qwest.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Pompeys Pillar Interpretive Center

**Location of Project:**

Pompeys Pillar, 28 miles east of Billings, Yellowstone County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Pompeys Pillar Historic Association		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

Bureau of Land Management, Billings

**Project Description:**

On July 25, 1806, William Clark carved his name onto a 200-foot sandstone outcropping and referred to the site as "Pompey's Tower" in honor of Sacagawea's young son. It remains the only visible evidence of the Expedition along the entire Trail. The BLM acquired the Pompeys Pillar National Historic Landmark and surrounding land in November 1991, which is located about 30 miles east of Billings adjacent to Interstate 94. The area has remarkable historical, cultural, geological and natural significance. The planned interpretive center will highlight the history of the Pillar and surrounding area, Clark's return trip down the Yellowstone, and the indigenous peoples of the area. As a major destination facility, it will provide significant economic benefit to the region. An Environmental Assessment is underway. Public comments are being sought on four proposed options for the facility design and site plan. The range of alternatives contained in the planning document consider the interpretive center at various locations, as well as an option that includes a partnership with the Montana Dept. of Transportation to develop a rest area facility near the interstate exit and adjacent to the site entrance.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$9.4 million	Funded to Date:	\$2 million
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**Support:**

The BLM, many local organizations, groups and individuals support the interpretive center. The Pompeys Pillar Historical Association (PPHA) currently has a fund-raising sub-committee dedicated to raising the matching funds for the \$2 million appropriation to leverage support for the interpretive center. Partners include the Montana Dept. of Transportation, Billings Chamber of Commerce, and regional schoolchildren.

**Project Status:**

The BLM and State of Montana are conducting the Environmental Assessment. The PPHA has launched their fund-raising efforts. Numerous programs are conducted on-site already, ranging from a "school day" program to "Clark Day" to commemorate the date Clark inscribed his name. The site is publicly-owned by BLM.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: **1 of 2 - Montana's Most Nationally Significant Projects**

**Other Comments:**

Challenge will be raising the matching funds for the \$2 million in appropriations already secured from Congress, and the additional funds necessary to complete the building of an interpretive center at Pompeys Pillar National Historic Landmark.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Travelers' Rest Campsite Preservation (Archaeological Assessment, Acquisition, Interpretive Center Feasibility Analysis/Business Plan)
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**Location of Project:**

Lolo, Missoula County, Montana
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**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Montana Community Development Corporation		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:****Project Description:**

The Corps of Discovery camped at Travelers' Rest near Lolo both in 1805 and 1806 – a site which was a centuries-old Native American crossroads (as evidenced by tipi rings which exist in unprecedented numbers and concentrations). Travelers' Rest is listed as one of the nation's "11 Most Endangered Historic Sites" by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the White House Millennium Council's "Save America's Treasures" project list. The historical archaeology assessment will validate and verify the site's location using high-tech geophysical methods such as magnetometer analysis and metal detection. Residential development already has destroyed key values on one parcel at the 130-acre site. Remaining endangered land can only be protected through purchase or easement..

The Travelers' Rest campsite located near Lolo, Montana not only is historically significant, it also is strategically positioned at crossroads of U.S. Highways 12 & 93 along the Trail, seven miles from Missoula. Following completion of site archeology and land acquisition (both in progress), an interpretive/visitor facility is proposed at Travelers' Rest. The facility will highlight the Expedition's stays at the site in both 1805 and 1806, as well as the Native American and Corps of Discovery trails through the Bitterroot Valley and Lolo Pass. It will serve as a gateway facility to the historic sites, routes and points of interest throughout the valley, benefiting the regional economy. A feasibility analysis and business plan will determine the most appropriate type and size of facility for the area, its visitors and the communities. Following the analysis, facility planning, design and construction will commence.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$2.7 million	Funded to Date:	\$463,000
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**Support:**

The partners named in the project's MOU have received \$30,000, Save America's Treasures Preservation Planning Fund; \$30,000, Natl. Park Service Challenge Grant; \$19,000, private donors; \$8,000, National Trust for Historic Preservation Johanna Favrot Fund. The Travelers' Rest Preservation Project is funded with a \$200,000 grant from the Dept. of HUD and funds two staffers dedicated exclusively to this 3-phase project. A \$22,000 grant was awarded by the Montana L&C Bicentennial Commission in June, 2000 for the archaeology assessment. A total of \$154,000 has been privately donated for acquisition of a single parcel.

**Project Status:**

The historical archaeology investigation phase is ongoing. Four acres have been preserved and options to purchase additional acres will be secured in the summer of 2000. Private and agency partnerships are developing, as are preliminary plans for interpretation. MCDC operates with a MOU signed by Missoula City/County and the Travelers' Rest Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** State/Tribe/Agency: **2 of 2 of Montana's Most Nationally Significant Projects**

**Other Comments:**

Challenge will be the timely completion of the project in light of pressing residential development.
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# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Three Forks Interpretive Center, Trails & Amphitheater

**Location of Project:**

Three Forks, Gallatin County, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Three Forks Chamber of Commerce		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

City of Three Forks

**Project Description:**

A 20' x 40' log interpretive center is planned at Headwaters Park in Three Forks. The center will house twelve acid-sketched steel signs depicting the story of Lewis & Clark with text and illustrations. Interpretive trails with signs, a gazebo and an amphitheater also will be located in the park.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$64,000	Funded to Date:	\$27,000
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**Support:**

Plans are to apply for grants and hold fundraisers. The Chamber of Commerce will be committing funds to match grants, local businesses' matching funds and donating much needed materials and machinery.

**Project Status:**

Project is ongoing.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

The main challenge will be securing grant funds.

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Lewis and Clark Fur Trading Post

**Location of Project:**

Yellowstone County Museum, Billings, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Peter Yegen, Jr. Yellowstone County Museum Foundation		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The Yellowstone County Museum, located in Billings, is constructing a Lewis & Clark era fur trading post inside the Paul McCormick log cabin portion of the Museum. This living history exhibit will extend the legacy of the Expedition by providing visitors with an interpretive/interactive experience and educational program.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$18,500	Funded to Date:	\$10,000
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**Support:**

The Peter Yegen, Jr. Yellowstone County Museum Foundation has set aside \$7,500 in existing funds to match the \$10,000 currently requested, with an additional in-kind match of \$2,500.

**Project Status:**

The project is in the planning stage, with construction to begin in the summer of 2000 and be completed by September 1, 2000.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

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# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Golden Triangle Visitor Contact Station

**Location of Project:**

Glacier, Pondera or Teton Counties, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Golden Triangle Tri-County Lewis and Clark Commission		
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Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

Glacier Action and Involvement Now (GAIN), Glacier, Pondera & Teton County Commissioners, Cut Bank & Conrad Chambers of Commerce, Valier Development Corporation.

**Project Description:**

A visitor contact station/site is planned for the Golden Triangle area (Glacier, Pondera or Teton county) to highlight the Marias exploration by Lewis and his three companions, including their experiences at Camp Disappointment and the Blackfeet Fight site.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$170,000	Funded to Date:	\$10,000
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**Support:**

Tri-county group is committed to pursuing other sources of funding for this project. Depending upon ultimate location of visitor contact station/site, it is highly likely that property upon which to locate such a structure will be donated. Substantial support for these projects exists from the project partners.

**Project Status:**

Proposed project awaiting funding.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  XCD  C/N  ED  E  O  
 Type:  Fed  State  X Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other  
 Status:  X Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Sidney Visitor Center

**Location of Project:**

Chamber of Commerce Building in Sidney, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

Organization Name	Lower Yellowstone River Bicentennial Commission		
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Phone/Fax/e-mail	(406) 482-3500		
Website			

**Other Sponsors:**

**Project Description:**

The existing Chamber of Commerce building in Sidney is located at the intersection of State Highways 16, 23 and 200, which is a significant eastern gateway into the state from North Dakota. The building will be renovated to accommodate a visitor center with orientation and information about the Lewis & Clark Expedition in Montana.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$25,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

Richland County, the Town of Sidney and Sidney businesses support the project.

**Project Status:**

Prepared to begin renovation once funding is secured.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  XCD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  X Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  X Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

# LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Museum of the Plains Indian

**Location of Project:**

Blackfeet Reservation, Browning, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

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**Other Sponsors:**

Blackfeet Tribe

**Project Description:**

The Museum of the Plains Indian, on the Blackfeet Reservation in Browning, was founded in 1941. It is maintained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and managed by the Blackfeet Arts and Crafts Board. The museum's proximity to Glacier National Park, Camp Disappointment and the Lewis & Clark Trail makes it a natural focal point for interpretation of Plains Indian interactions with the Expedition, but the museum is in need of infrastructure repairs and upgrades, and refurbishing of the displays.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$50,400	Funded to Date:	\$0
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**Support:**

The Tribe supports the renovation project.

**Project Status:**

The project is in the preliminary design and review stage, pending design of new displays and delineation of critical infrastructure needs and securing funding.

**Coding:**

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

**Other Comments:**

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## LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

### Project Name:

People of the Land: Montanans at the time of the Lewis and Clark Expedition

### Location of Project:

Montana Historical Society, Helena, Montana

### Lead Sponsor:

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Website	<a href="http://www.montanahistoricalsociety.com">www.montanahistoricalsociety.com</a>		

### Other Sponsors:

We are soliciting sponsors at this time. Likely we will work with tribal cultural committees and humanities-based groups in Montana.

### Project Description:

The Montana Historical Society will develop a Montana Lewis & Clark exhibit that will be housed in a reconstructed gallery at the Montana Historical Society in Helena. The focus of this exhibit will be the people who lived in the geographic region now known as Montana. It will answer the questions: who were the people living in this region? where were their traditional homelands? What kind of economy did they have? what social activities did they enjoy? what contact did they have with the Lewis and Clark expedition? what did they contribute to the legacy of Montana as it is today?

### Project Budget:

Total:	\$500,000	Funded to Date:	\$0
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### Support:

This project will employ a variety of Native American consultants who will assure that the history of their tribes is represented accurately. The exhibit will require loans of artifacts from public and private collections to provide a full view of material culture from all Montana tribes. Design and production of the exhibit will require specially made exhibit cases, improved lighting in our galleries, special security devices and custom-made photographs and graphics for illustrative backgrounds. Many of the artifacts will need conservation treatment before they can be exhibited. The Society will employ a Coordinating Curator for this exhibit. A catalog of the exhibit will be written and produced as a lasting contribution to the Lewis and Clark commemoration. Educational activities such as legislatures, performances, special events, and workshops will be developed and mounted in conjunction with the exhibit.

### Project Status:

The project is under development. The Society's exhibit team approved general plans. Work schedules are currently being refined. The final budget will be submitted to the administration in October.

### Coding:

Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  XI  CD  C/N  ED  E  O

Type:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  Other

Status:  Proposed  Underway  Finished

**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.

### Other Comments:

The exhibit and associated educational programs will be on going during the period of the Lewis and Clark commemoration. The project will have flexibility in that programs and other opportunities available from other organizations that arise may be incorporated into existing project plans.

## LEWIS & CLARK BICENTENNIAL PROJECT INVENTORY 2000 LISTING

**Project Name:**

Ravalli County Museum Exhibit, Diorama &amp; Mural

**Location of Project:**

Ravalli County Museum, Hamilton, Montana

**Lead Sponsor:**

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**Other Sponsors:****Project Description:**

The Bitterroot Valley Historical Society is dedicating an existing room in the Ravalli County Museum in Hamilton to depict the interactions between the Corps of Discovery and the Salish Indians. The display will feature a diorama and mural, accompanied by an interpretive brochure.

**Project Budget:**

Total:	\$93,000	Funded to Date:	\$43,000
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**Support:**

The Bitterroot Valley Historical Society Board of Directors, staff of the Ravalli County Museum, the Bitterroot Valley Lewis and Clark Committee, and the Bitterroot Valley Lewis and Clark Coordinating Team support the project.

**Project Status:**

Awaiting funding.

**Coding:**Primary Category:  R/H  P/T  I  CD  C/N  ED  E  OType:  Fed  State  Local  Tribal  Multi-Agency  Private  Pub/Priv  OtherStatus:  Proposed  Underway  Finished**Priority Ranking:** within State/Tribe/Agency: # \_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_.**Other Comments:**