

Master Plan Implementation Steps

The first step to begin implementation of this Master Plan is its adoption by the Montana Bicentennial Commission. Once adopted, the Plan should be distributed statewide to build advocacy and endorsement for it among the Regional Bicentennial Commissions, agency partners, tribes, elected officials and others.

The next step is to seek resources (funding and technical assistance) for implementation of the top priority Tier I projects. Appendix J provides a list of local, state, federal, private and nonprofit foundation resources that are specifically or closely related to Bicentennial projects. Each resource is listed with contact information.

The third step is to begin implementation. Some of the strategic actions, such as the development of clear roles and responsibilities among the partners, can be accomplished beginning immediately with very little cost. Other projects require some up-front preparation and team-building before implementation can move forward.

Tables 7.1 and 7.2 on the next two pages list the "Top Priority" Tier I projects (7.1) and "Other" Tier I projects (7.2), with approximate implementation dates (2001-2006) and estimated budgets. Projects were selected for Tier I based on the criteria described in Chapter III. The planning team tried to achieve a balance of projects in all five dimensions of the strategic framework: historic preservation, education and communication, community development, resource management and business development.

The "Year" columns are shaded to indicate an approximate implementation schedule for each project, based on information from the project sponsor, and planning team estimates. The darkness of the shading indicates the intensity of activity necessary during specific years (e.g., light shading is light implementation activity; medium shading is moderate activity; and dark shading is the greatest level of activity needed).

The budget figures (where available) were derived from project proposals submitted by regional planning groups, tribes and agencies, with some additions by the planning team. Some projects are still in the conceptual stage, so budgets have not been specified. Budget feasibility was beyond the scope of the Master Plan contract, so the figures are provided for information only. Prior to Commission endorsement, each project should be evaluated in greater detail related to costs and return on investment.

Chapter VII: **Implementation**

- ❖ Implementation Steps
- ❖ List of Tier I Projects with Implementation Timeline and Budget

Table 7.1. **Top Priority Tier I Projects**

	Project Number*	Year						Budget (\$000's)	
		01	02	03	04	05	06	Total Budget	Amt Needed
Commission and Regional Projects									
Travelers' Rest Site Preservation, Interpretive Center	HP-1a, EC-4b							\$ 9,604	\$ 9,150
Crimson Bluffs Site Preservation (Land Acquisition)	HP-1c							151	150
Tribal Oral History Preservation Grant Pool	HP-2a							100	100
Annual Bicentennial Planning Conference	EC-1a							87	87
Statewide Training for Community Event Planners	EC-1b							100	100
Lewis & Clark 101 Superhost Frontliner Training	EC-1c							n/a	n/a
Training Manual & Workshops for First Person Reenactors	EC-1e							10	10
"Lewis & Clark Moment" Public Service Announcements	EC-1f							n/a	n/a
Gateway Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Displays	EC-2a							n/a	n/a
Statewide Interpretive Sign Funding Pool	EC-3a							500	500
Conduct Statewide Assessment of Community Infrastructure	CD-1							100	100
Obtain Funding for Local/Tribal Bicentennial Planning Groups	CD-2							n/a	n/a
Major Event Proposals (Marias-Great Falls, Headwaters, L. Yellowstone)	CD-3a-c							n/a	n/a
Games of the Past: Traditional Play at the Time of Lewis & Clark	CD-3e							68	68
Statewide Safety/EMS Assessment and Plan	RM-1a							100	100
Bicentennial Tourism and Visitor Assessment Studies	BD-1							273	273
Community Tourism Assessments	BD-2							n/a	n/a
Business Assistance via Workshops, Loans and Counseling	BD-3							n/a	n/a
National Product Licensing	BD-4							n/a	n/a
Statewide Sponsorship Opportunity Program	BD-5							n/a	n/a
State/ Federal Agency Projects									
Pompeys Pillar Interpretive Center	EC-4a							\$ 9,400	\$ 7,400
MHS State Lewis & Clark Exhibit	EC-4c							500	500
Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center Improvements	EC-4d							2,900	2,900
NPS Corps II Traveling Park and Classroom	CD-3d							3,300	3,300
USFS, FWP, BLM, BOR, MHS Agency Temporary Staffing	RM-2a-e							3,055	3,055
State Parks Resource Assessments, Capital Improvements, Visitor Services	RM-3a							4,705	4,190
USFS Lemhi Pass Management	RM-3b							795	795
BLM James Kipp Recreation Area Infrastructure Improvements	RM-3c							255	255
BLM Temporary and Volunteer Host Facilities	RM-3d							180	180
TOTALS:								\$ 36,183	\$ 33,213

*Key to Codes:

HP = Historic Preservation, EC = Education & Communication, CD = Community Development, RM = Resource Management, BD = Business Development

Table 7.2. **Other Tier I Projects**

	Project Number*	Year						Budget (\$000's)	
		01	02	03	04	05	06	Total Budget	Amt Needed
Commission and Regional Projects									
Camp Disappointment Monument Renovation	HP-1b							\$ 12	\$ 8
Fort Benton Reconstruction	HP-1f							1,928	1,200
Archeological Discovery of Selected Lewis & Clark Expedition Campsites	HP-2b							405	405
"Confluence of Cultures" Symposium	EC-1d							50	50
Golden Triangle Visitor Site	EC-2b							170	160
Sidney Visitor Center	EC-2c							25	25
Ravalli County Museum Exhibit, Diorama & Mural	EC-4e							93	50
Three Forks Interpretive Center, Trails & Amphitheater	EC-4f							64	37
Yellowstone County Museum	EC-4g							17	9
Museum of the Plains Indian	EC-4h							50	50
Headwaters State Park Living History Reenactment	CD-3f							30	30
Whitehall Amphitheater and Lewis & Clark Drama	CD-3h							302	200
Fort Peck Tribes Reenactments on the Missouri River	CD-3i							36	36
Fort Belknap Tribes Reenactment at James Kipp Park	CD-3j							26	21
Crow Tribe Participation in Clark Day at Pompeys Pillar	CD-3k							5	5
Clark's Yellowstone River Camps Reenactment and Permanent Displays	CD-3l							32	16
Forsyth Amphitheater & Mural	CD-3m							200	200
State/ Federal Agency Projects									
USFS Heritage Monitoring & Protection	HP-1d							\$ 850	\$ 850
FWP Bicentennial Lasting Lands Legacy	HP-1e							4,000	4,000
USFS Historic/PaleoLandscape Ecosystem Studies, Geoarcheology Surveys	HP-2c							125	125
BLM Upper Missouri River Breaks Cultural/Heritage Assessment	HP-2d							100	100
USFS Lolo Pass Rest Area & Visitor Center Displays & Staffing	EC-2d							465	465
USFW Fort Peck Dam Interpretive Center Wildlife Exhibit	EC-4i							455	455
BOR Camp Fortunate Living History Encampment & Reenactment	CD-3g							60	60
USFS Event Management and Emergency Services	RM-1b							540	540
BLM Emergency Planning - Headwaters Corridor	RM-1c							180	180
BLM Floater Information and Communication for the Upper Missouri River	RM-1d							90	90
TOTALS:								\$ 10,310	\$ 9,366

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