

WHV – Canadian Rockies Exploration

Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks, Canada

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THE SITE - the Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks are comprised of Banff, Jasper, Kootenay and Yoho national parks and Mount Robson, Mount Assiniboine and Hamber provincial parks. Together, they exemplify the outstanding physical features of the Rocky Mountain Biogeographical Province. Classic illustrations of glacial geological processes - including ice fields, remnant valley glaciers, canyons and exceptional examples of erosion and deposition are found throughout the area.

OBJECTIVES - This project aims to engage youth and young adults in awareness-raising activities and hands-on learning about key preservation topics for the future of the Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks. The project also seeks to provide young people with knowledge and skills to support them in becoming active community members and to increase collaboration between organizations providing informal education in the area.

ACTIVITIES - The project includes awareness-raising activities such as a tour of the Cave and Basin National Historic Site, a site visit of a test fire in BNP, an Icefields Parkway tour, and a workshop on wildlife corridors and overpasses. Hands-on activities involve wildlife fence checks, Cascade Creek restoration, establishing fire regrowth and glacier monitoring sites, and a community event focused on wildlife and conservation awareness. The project emphasizes collaboration with various stakeholders, including Parks Canada staff, Indigenous community members, local authorities, and community members, to implement these activities.

PARTNERS – Banff National Park (Government); Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative; Biogeoscience Institute; Nakoda Youth Council; Banff Canmore Foundation, Calgary Foundation and ATB.

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