

Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee

Project Completion Report

FY 2008

Unit: GYCC Sustainable Operations Subcommittee
Project Name: Propane Cylinder Recycling
Project Description: Divert “disposable” propane cylinders (that are most often used for recreational equipment such as camping stoves or lanterns) from the waste stream and then processing them such that they are acceptable by steel recyclers. A few collection boxes are being placed at all GYA units. GYA unit staff will monitor the collection boxes, periodically empty them and bring them to larger storage boxes that are centrally located around the GYA. In the Fall, Yellowstone National Park will pick up and transport the large boxes to Mammoth where the cylinders will be processed over the winter by YNP staff person, who is trained to use the PBR equipment. The large boxes will be reset in place the following spring.
GYCC Funding Received: \$10,000 Partner Funding/In-Kind Received:
Status of the Project: Funding this year was used to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• fabricate 3 large boxes @ \$800 each = \$2400. (Yell NP)• fabricate 12 small collection boxes @\$423 = \$5076 (Gallatin NF / Caribou-Targhee NF)• fabricate signage for the boxes (21 rigid NO SMOKING signs / 21 rigid hazmat identification signs / 25 sticky-back RECYCLE PROPANE CYLINDERS signs / 9 rigid RECYCLE PROPANE CYLINDER signs = \$1013 (Gallatin NF)• transporting large boxes to their locations = \$800 (Yell NP) Total spent: \$9289 (entire \$10,000 was not spent due to fire pull and spending moratorium)
Products that can be shared across the GYA: (GIS data layers, maps, new protocols and methods) Project is GYA-wide. JHA was also created for process.
Project results: (Information worth sharing on methods, results, partnerships, etc) Next steps: monitor collection / determine if different or more collection points are needed / create signage for those sites without collection boxes / work with point-of-sale sites to provide signage for the public when cylinders are purchased
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Report Date: March 4, 2009
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