CENTENNIAL INITIATIVE

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The following centennial proposal is certified as eligible for Centennial Challenge funding consideration in fiscal year 2008. Funding for the Centennial Challenge requires legislation.

Developing the Next Generation of NPS Leaders

Location: **VT**
Partner(s): **Center for Park Management**
Partner Website: **http://www.npca.org/cpm/**
Total Cost: **$300,000 over 2 years**
Proposal # **137696**

Summary: The program builds a national leadership network that reflects the face of America and prepares the next generation of NPS leaders to face the complex issues that our parks will have to address in the next century. By taking a deliberate, coordinated initiative to develop leaders, the National Park Service demonstrates a commitment to addressing the needs of its parks, not just today, but tomorrow and well into the future. This national, multi-park, multi-year collaborative program enhances the National Park Service's capacity to lead change and meet leadership opportunities and challenges associated with increasingly complex park management. The curriculum incorporates real-world problem solving, professional coaching, strategic thinking, and emotional intelligence applied to complex agency management. This program prepares managers to negotiate complicated issues, embrace innovation, and build the collaboration and commitment of a diverse public required for the stewardship of our national system of parks into the next century.

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