

2016 CAMP MONACO PRIZE RECIPIENTS

The Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation-USA has partnered with the Buffalo Bill Center of the West and the University of Wyoming's Biodiversity Institute to offer a \$100,000 grant to support scientific research and problem-solving in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Its name—the Camp Monaco Prize—commemorates the wilderness camp that Prince Albert I of Monaco occupied during his historic visit to the Greater Yellowstone backcountry in 1913.

The 2016 Camp Monaco Prize is awarded to:

Dr. Craig M. Lee



Craig M. Lee, PhD holds a bachelor's degree from Montana State University, a master's degree from the University of Wyoming, and a doctorate from the University of Colorado. His research focus is the human ecology and landscape archaeology of alpine and high latitude environments with an emphasis on sharing the process and results with numerous audiences, including the professional scientific community, Native American communities, and the interested public. Lee is a researcher at the University of Colorado's Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research with a specialty in environmental archaeology, human responses to climate

change, archaeometry, and historical ecology.

Dr. Dave McWethy



Dave McWethy, PhD is Assistant Research Professor in the Department of Earth Sciences at Montana State University-Bozeman. He earned a BA from St. Lawrence University, an MS from the University of Wisconsin, and a PhD from Montana State. He is particularly interested in identifying the mechanisms responsible for dynamic, disturbance-mediated vegetation transitions that are increasing worldwide. McWethy's research involves the analysis and integration of multi-scale records of fire, climate, and vegetation across biophysical and human impact

gradients—the main goal of which is to develop a framework for understanding the vulnerability of ecosystems to shifting fire regimes as a result of human activity and climate change.

Dr. Gregory T. Pederson



Greg Pederson, PhD serves as a research scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey's Northern Rocky Mountain Science Center. He holds a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, a master's degree from Montana State University, and a PhD from the University of Arizona. His research focused primarily on climate variability and its role in driving biological and physical components of mountainous ecosystems of western North America. In his research, Pederson uses instrumental and treering based records of climate to determine the time intervals and

spatial scales over which these processes operate by examining changes in mountain snowpack, streamflow, glaciers, and forest disturbance events.



