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ANNOUNCING the 2024 IPWA PADDON/GELHORN WILDERNESS RESEARCH GRANTS

The Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance (IPWA) is offering research grants in memory of David Paddon, a University of Colorado geography student who conducted research in the Indian Peaks Wilderness Area and tragically passed away in a climbing accident there in May 1990. Additionally, grants are dedicated to the memory of Joyce Gellhorn, an ardent alpine and sub-alpine ecologist, enthusiastic educator, and long-time Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance Board member.

Awards:

Four IPWA Paddon/Gelhorn Wilderness grants, each with a maximum value of \$2,000, are available. The deadline for applications is Sunday, March 24th, 2024, and award announcements will be made by April 15, 2024.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be graduate students attending any Colorado university and conducting research with a focus on issues affecting Colorado alpine and sub-alpine environments. The chosen research topic should contribute to a better understanding of the ecological environment and/or the wise management of the Colorado high country. Grants will be awarded based on the quality and merit of the research proposal, as well as the recommendation of the faculty advisor.

In October of the funding year, recipients are required to submit a three to five-minute video (with audio) summarizing research results in language understandable to the general public. Alternatives to the video can be discussed prior to the grant funds being awarded.

Application:

Interested applicants should send the following materials to hikers@indianpeakswilderness.org (attn. Patrick Lienin) or directly to patrick.lienin@gmail.com by **Sunday March 24, 2024**.

1) A letter of application:

Please provide your name, local address, phone number, email address, university, college department, current degree program, and the contact details (name, phone number, and email) of your faculty advisor.

2) A research proposal:

Clearly and concisely state, in no more than two pages, the research objectives, study area, overall experimental design, and the potential significance of findings. Tables and figures are discouraged.

The grant request must be written in a language accessible to the general public. Reviewers should not need explanations from faculty advisors to understand the concepts and goals presented in the grant application.

3) A proposed budget showing in detail how the grant award would be spent.

4) A letter of support from your faculty advisor.

For more details and to see past grant recipients, please visit: <https://www.indianpeakswilderness.org/research-grants>

The Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance is a non-profit private organization dedicated to the protection and wise management of Colorado's Indian Peaks and James Peak Wilderness Areas.

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