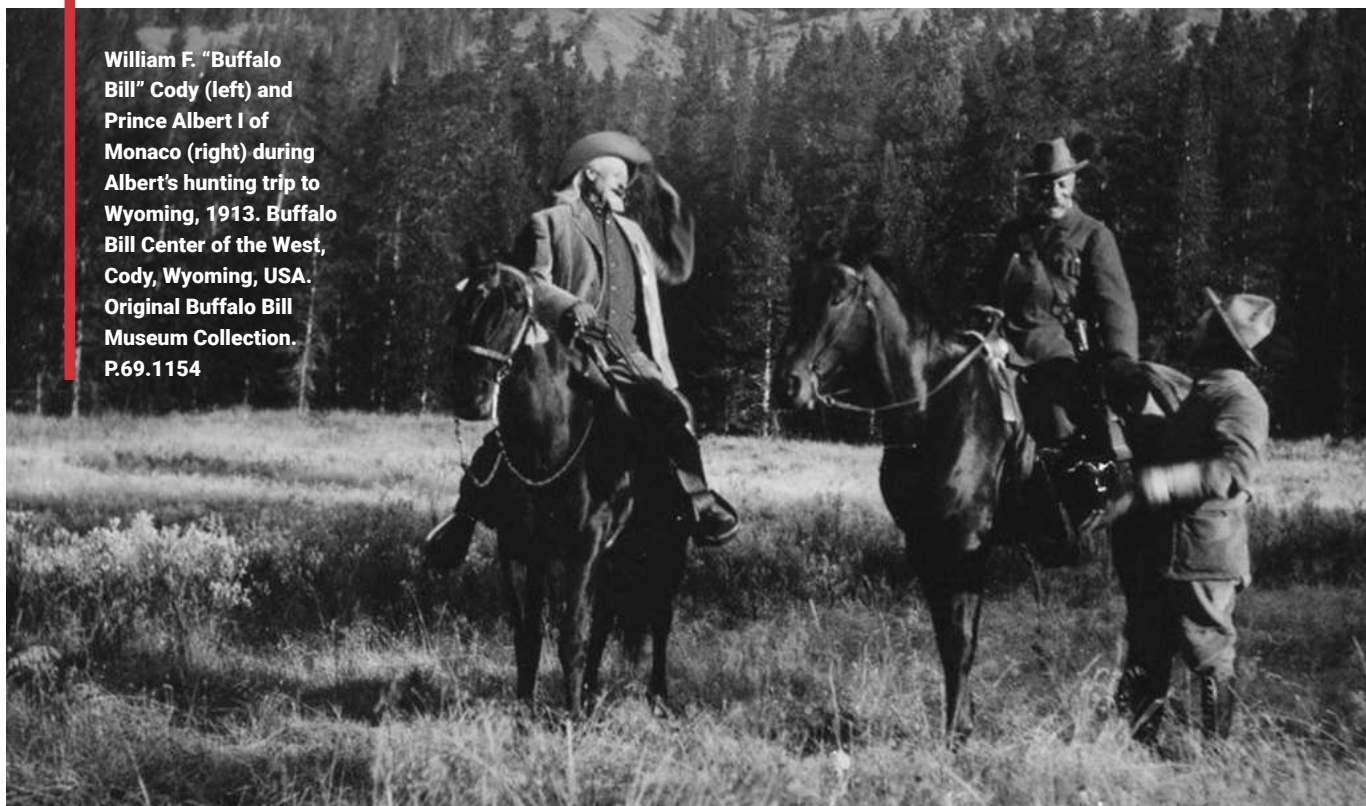


REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS IN GREATER YELLOWSTONE
BIODIVERSITY RESEARCH AND PUBLIC EDUCATION:

The Camp Monaco Prize 2025

William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody (left) and Prince Albert I of Monaco (right) during Albert's hunting trip to Wyoming, 1913. Buffalo Bill Center of the West, Cody, Wyoming, USA. Original Buffalo Bill Museum Collection. P.69.1154

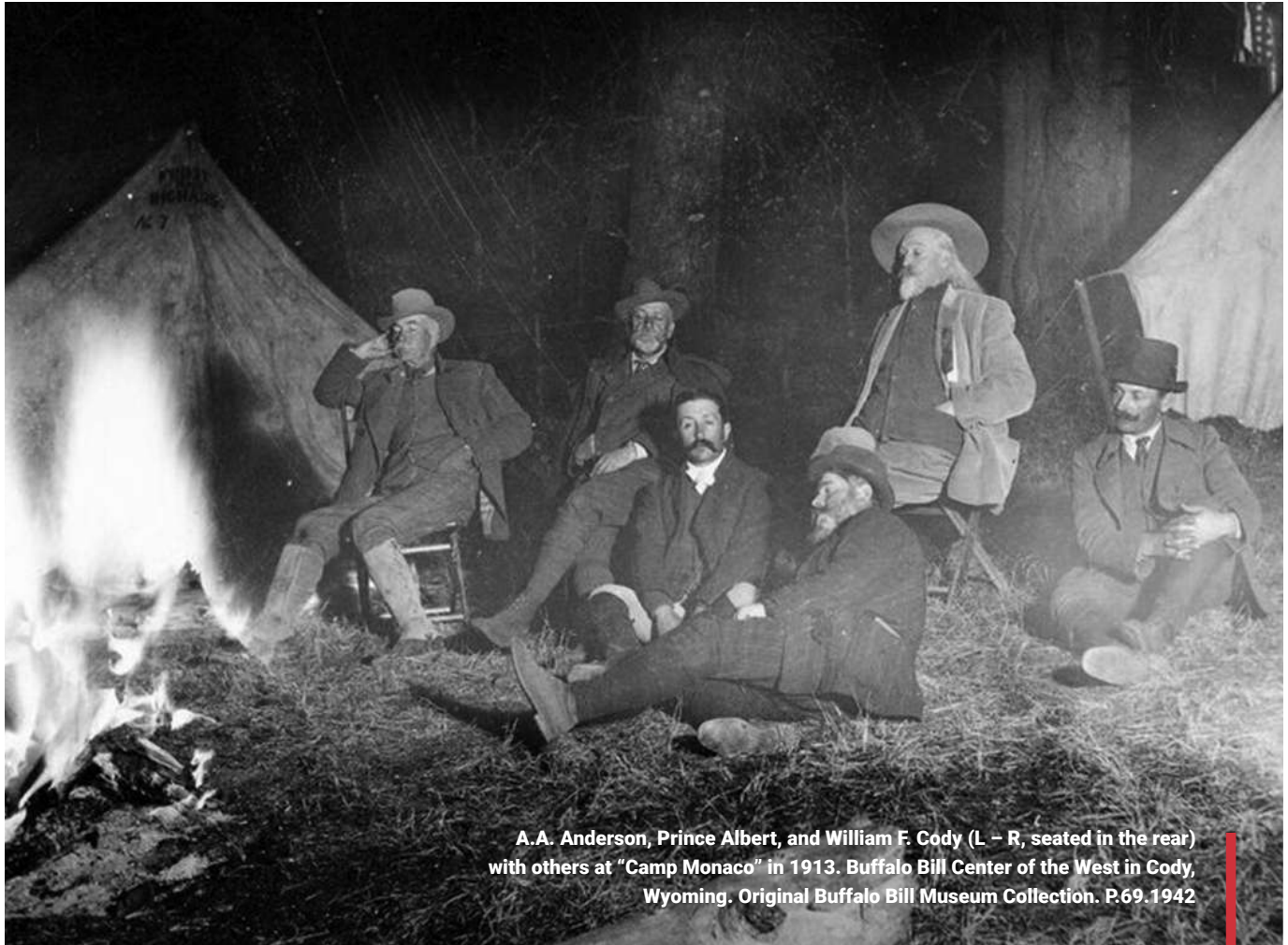


Announcement

In celebration of the 1913 visit to Yellowstone by H.S.H Prince Albert I of Monaco and his hunting trip with William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, the Camp Monaco Prize is being awarded as a joint project by the Buffalo Bill Center of the West's Draper Natural History Museum and the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation. These organizations are dedicated to the conservation of native biodiversity and have established the Camp Monaco Prize as a collaborative effort to promote this common mission.

Accordingly, the partners of the Camp Monaco Prize hereby announce the 2025 Request for Proposals addressing Greater Yellowstone Biodiversity Research and Public Education. The Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem is world-renowned as a bastion of biodiversity conservation and an arena for exploring the relationships among human demographics, social and economic development, and natural resources conservation. Our objective is to award a \$100,000 prize to stimulate scientific exploration and public education to expand the knowledge and understanding

of biological diversity in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem and foster concrete actions to safeguard biodiversity in conjunction with continued social and economic development. The project will be conducted in the magnificent Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, and we encourage projects with global implications. We are interested in proposals with a trans-boundary approach, recognizing effective biodiversity conservation crosses geo-political/ jurisdictional, academic disciplinary, and economic and social boundaries.



A.A. Anderson, Prince Albert, and William F. Cody (L – R, seated in the rear) with others at “Camp Monaco” in 1913. Buffalo Bill Center of the West in Cody, Wyoming. Original Buffalo Bill Museum Collection. P.69.1942

Selection and Decision Authorities

A jury of highly distinguished, international scientists, scholars, public officials, and public outreach professionals has been chosen to review and select the winning Camp Monaco Prize proposal. The Prize will be announced by the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in April 2025, followed by a ceremony in the presence of officials representing each of the partner organizations in the Fall of 2025.

Proposal Submission

Proposals should be submitted via email to Dr. Charles Preston (charlespreston@centerofthewest.org) no later than 31 January 2025, and the winning proposal will be contacted by 10 April 2025.

Purpose

This request for proposals for the Camp Monaco Prize emerges from shared objectives of its core partners, i.e., the Draper Natural History Museum and the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation. We believe the most significant advances in biodiversity conservation will spring from the creation and synthesis of information gained through robust, interdisciplinary (i.e., economic and social, as well as ecological) inquiry addressing the trans-boundary stewardship challenges inherent in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem and other coupled human and natural systems around the globe. We also believe an informed citizenry is more likely to provide important input and support sound stewardship strategies. Therefore, projects integrating scientific research activities with public outreach and multiple stakeholders are strongly encouraged. We also encourage cross-cultural collaborations that reflect multiple ways of knowing and experiencing biological diversity. Prior to submission, you may direct questions to Corey Anco at CoreyA@centerofthewest.org

Types of Projects Sought

For 2025, the Camp Monaco Prize jury seeks proposals in one or more of four broad categories:

- ① Understanding current patterns of biodiversity in landscapes of Greater Yellowstone and predicting changes related to current and expected social, demographic, economic, and environmental dynamics.
- ② Assessing ecological, social, demographic, and economic impacts of biodiversity changes, e.g., restoration/reintroduction of native species and/or invasion of nonnative species in Greater Yellowstone.
- ③ Developing trans-boundary conservation strategies for species and their habitats in Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.
- ④ Synthesizing and disseminating existing information about the above topics to the public.

Additional Information

- The prize amount for 2025 is \$100,000; only one prize will be awarded. Projects with matching funds committed will be viewed favorably.
- The project may involve only one investigator or team or include several partners representing multiple disciplines and stakeholder groups.
- Interdisciplinary projects will be privileged.
- The project could provide funding for graduate and postdoctoral researchers — funding for senior researchers (e.g., sabbatical replacement, summer salary for researchers on 9-month appointment) should be clearly justified.
- Capital equipment, supplies, and travel related directly to research will not be funded; institutional overhead or indirect expenses in excess of 15% are not supported.
- Proposals should be organized as follows:

Proposal Title•

Titles of proposals submitted should begin with “Camp Monaco Prize: ...” followed by the project’s substantive title.

Project Summary•

The one-page Project Summary must address Intellectual Merit and Broader Impacts separately.

Project Description•

Maximum of 5 pages, not including literature cited and budget. Font size cannot be smaller than Times New Roman 11, and page margins must be 1” on all sides. Proposals that do not satisfy these requirements will not be considered. For all proposals, the project description must include details about why the work represents an innovative approach to research, conservation, outreach and education. The Broader Impacts section must identify how the work will increase understanding of biodiversity, its conservation, or how it will foster its appreciation. Broader impacts that promote educational/outreach goals and/or that combine art, history, and/or cultural associations and science will be evaluated favorably.

Biographical Sketches (up to two pages each)

Biographical sketches following the standard National Science Foundation standard format, should be submitted for all PIs, co-PIs, and Senior Personnel.

Budget

Budgets should be completed using a spreadsheet. The inclusion of committed and anticipated matching funds should be included in the budget.

Special Information and Supplementary Documentation

Provide information such as letters of collaboration, foreign counterpart agency letters of commitment and other items. Memoranda of Understanding with existing collections for maintenance and archiving of voucher specimens and digitized images).

Letters of Collaboration

This section may include letters of collaboration from individuals or organizations that will play an integral role in the proposed project (e.g., individuals or organizations who will provide materials, data, or analytical capabilities).

About the Draper Natural History Museum



**DRAPER
NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM**

The Draper Natural History Museum is a division of the world-renowned Buffalo Bill Historical Center complex, in Cody, Wyoming. Opened in 2002 as the first major natural history museum established in and for the 21st century, the Draper Museum strives to "ignite curiosity, drive exploration, and create advocates for the natural wonders of the Greater Yellowstone Landscape." We pursue this goal through an interconnected suite of activities including scientific research, collections development, public outreach, and more than 40,000 square-feet of highly immersive exhibits on the ecology of Greater Yellowstone. <https://centerofthewest.org/our-museums/yellowstone/>

About the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation



**PRINCE ALBERT II
OF MONACO FOUNDATION**

Founded by HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco in 2006, the eponymous Foundation is a global non-profit organization, committed to progressing planetary health for present and future generations by co-creating initiatives and supporting hundreds of projects across our beloved Planet.

The Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation focuses its efforts on three principal domains of action: climate change, biodiversity and water resources, in the following main geographical regions: the Mediterranean Basin, the Polar Regions and the Least Developed Countries. The Foundation has already granted +110 million euros to fund more than +780 projects that focus on limiting the effects of climate change, promoting renewable energies, protecting the ocean, preserving biodiversity, managing water resources and combating deforestation.

The Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation has 11 foreign branches in the following countries: France, United States, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Canada, Germany, Italy, Singapore, Spain, China and Latin America. The US branch, established in 2008, supports the Foundation's initiatives and extends the impact of its work by promoting sustainable and equitable management of natural resources and encouraging implementation of innovative and ethical solutions. www.fpa2.org