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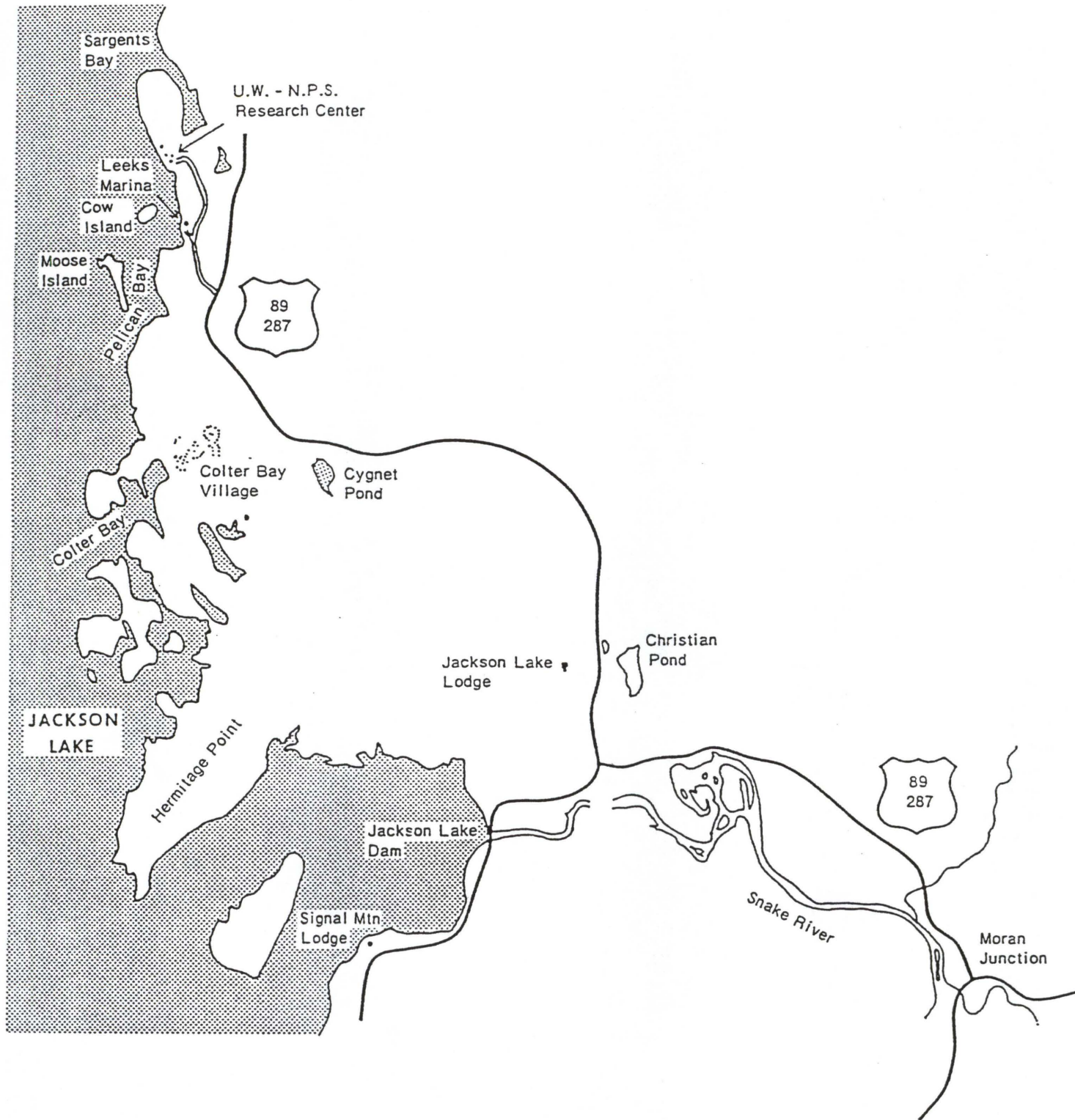
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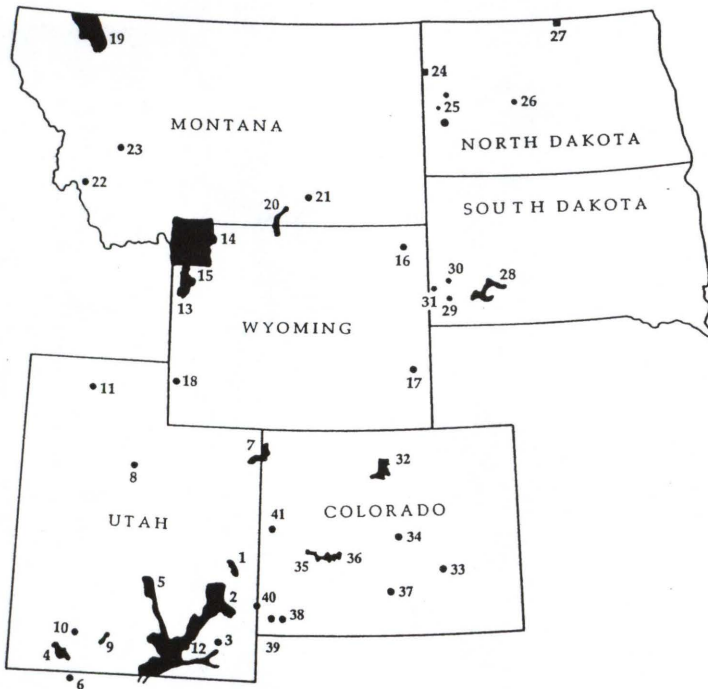
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INTRODUCTION

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As we enter the new millennium, the National Park Service continues to face a variety of challenges. The Service's mission is to preserve the natural and cultural resources of the United States for the enjoyment and inspiration of present and future generations. This report provides an overview of the Service's activities during the year 2000.

The Service's primary focus is on the protection and management of the national parks, monuments, and preserves. This includes a wide range of activities, from research and education to law enforcement and visitor services. The Service also works to protect the natural and cultural resources of the United States from threats such as climate change, invasive species, and development. In 2000, the Service completed a number of significant projects, including the development of a new management plan for the Grand Teton National Park and the establishment of a new national monument in the state of Wyoming.

The Service's success in 2000 was due to the hard work and dedication of its employees and the support of the public. We look forward to continuing our work in the coming year and to achieving our mission of preserving the national parks and monuments for all time.

MISSION STATEMENT

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DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

During the period of this report the University of Wyoming-National Park Service (UW-NPS) Research Center supported and administered research in the biological, physical and social sciences performed in national parks, monuments, and recreation areas in Wyoming and neighboring states. The UW-NPS Research Center solicited research proposals from university faculty or full-time governmental research scientists throughout North America via a request for proposals. Research proposals addressed topics of interest to National Park Service scientists, resource managers, and administrators as well as the academic community. Studies conducted through the Center dealt with questions of direct management importance as well as those of a basic scientific nature.

The Research Center continues to consider unsolicited proposals addressing applied and basic scientific questions related to park management. Research proposals are distributed to nationally-recognized scientists for peer review and are also reviewed and evaluated by the Research Center's steering committee. This committee is

composed of University faculty and National Park Service representatives and is chaired by the Director of the UW-NPS Research Center. Research Contracts are usually awarded by the middle to end of March to early April.

The UW-NPS Research Center also operates a NPS-owned field research station in Grand Teton National Park. The research station provides researchers in the biological, physical and social sciences an enhanced opportunity to work in the diverse aquatic and terrestrial environments of Grand Teton National Park and the surrounding Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Station facilities include housing for up to 50 researchers, wet and dry laboratories, a library, herbarium, boats, and shop accommodations. The research station is available to researchers working in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem regardless of funding source, although priority is given to individuals whose projects are funded by the Research Center.

Special acknowledgement is extended to Ms. Karen Noland, Office Associate, for her skills and dedication to the Research Center which were a vital contribution to this publication.

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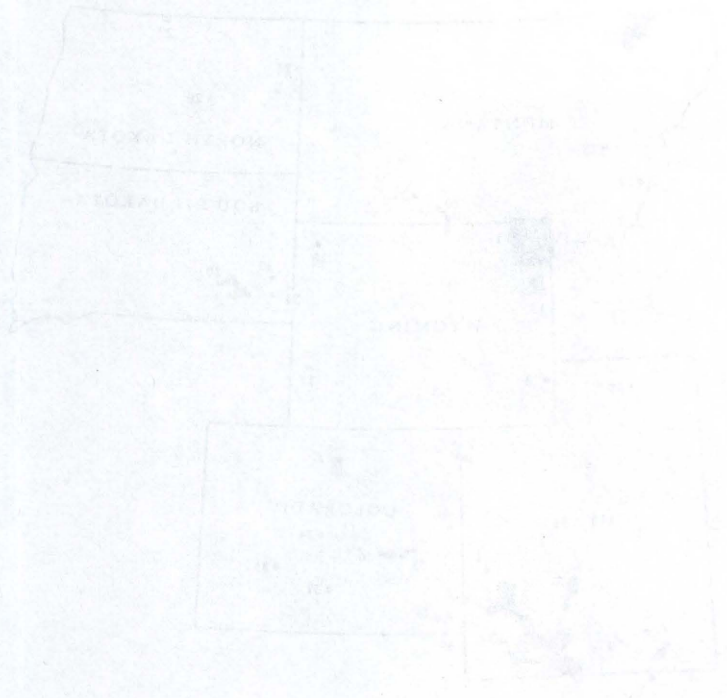
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