

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

**2008**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

**Open to Public Inspection**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

For the **2008** calendar year, or tax year beginning **10/01**, **2008**, and ending **9/30**, **2009**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See specific instructions.	<b>GREATER YELLOWSTONE COALITION</b> <b>PO BOX 1874</b> <b>BOZEMAN, MT 59771</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number <b>81-0414042</b>
		<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>SWEP DAVIS</b> <b>Same As C Above</b>	<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>406-586-1593</b>
		<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( <b>3</b> ) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>3,400,217.</b>
		<b>J</b> Website: ▶ <b>greateryellowstone.org</b>	<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <small>If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)</small>
		<b>K</b> Type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶	<b>L</b> Year of Formation: <b>1983</b> <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>MT</b>

**Part I Summary**

	<b>1</b>	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>PEOPLE PROTECTING THE LANDS, WATERS, AND WILDLIFE OF THE GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM, NOW AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.</u>		
<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>2</b>	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets.		
	<b>3</b>	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) .....	<b>3</b>	24
	<b>4</b>	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) .....	<b>4</b>	24
	<b>5</b>	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a) .....	<b>5</b>	44
	<b>6</b>	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) .....	<b>6</b>	90
	<b>7a</b>	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C) .....	<b>7a</b>	0.
	<b>7b</b>	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 .....	<b>7b</b>	0.
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b>	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) .....	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>9</b>	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) .....	2,771,839.	2,919,759.
	<b>10</b>	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) .....	163,284.	83,512.
	<b>11</b>	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) .....	200,319.	130,911.
	<b>12</b>	Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) .....	142,238.	153,168.
	<b>12</b>		3,298,206.	3,287,350.
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b>	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) .....	157,792.	22,320.
	<b>14</b>	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) .....		
	<b>15</b>	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) .....	1,687,870.	1,676,057.
	<b>16a</b>	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) .....		
	<b>b</b>	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <u>473,579.</u>		
	<b>17</b>	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f) .....	1,437,365.	1,068,945.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>18</b>	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) .....	3,283,027.	2,767,322.
	<b>19</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 .....	15,179.	520,028.
	<b>20</b>	Total assets (Part X, line 16) .....	<b>Beginning of Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b>	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) .....	6,185,803.	6,670,742.
<b>22</b>	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 .....	440,191.	340,320.	
<b>22</b>		5,745,612.	6,330,422.	

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer <u>SWEP DAVIS</u> <small>Type or print name and title.</small>	Date Chairman	
<b>Paid Preparer's Use Only</b>	Preparer's signature ▶ <u>MERRILEE GLOVER</u>	Date	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions) N/A
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>Junkermier Clark Campanella Stevens P.C.</u> <u>220 West Lamme, Suite 3-A</u> <u>Bozeman, MT 59715</u>	EIN ▶ <u>N/A</u>	Phone no. ▶ <u>(406) 587-1277</u>

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

PEOPLE PROTECTING THE LANDS, WATERS, AND WILDLIFE OF THE GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM, NOW AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

Yes No

If 'Yes,' describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

Yes No

If 'Yes,' describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,036,796. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

PROTECTION OF LANDS - SEE ATTACHMENT A

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 111,454. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

RIVERS AND CLIMATE CHANGE - SEE ATTACHMENT A

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 374,127. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

GENERAL OUTREACH COMMUNICATIONS - SEE ATTACHMENT A

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.) See Schedule O

(Expenses \$ 418,008. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses \$ 1,940,385. (Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).)

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No	
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A</i> .....	1	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? .....	2	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I</i> .....	3		X
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II</i> .....	4	X	
5 <b>Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.</b> Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III</i> .....	5		
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I</i> .....	6		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II</i> .....	7		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III</i> .....	8		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> .....	9		X
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V</i> .....	10	X	
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i> .....	11	X	
12 Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i> .....	12	X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E</i> .....	13		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U.S.? .....	14a		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U.S.? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part I</i> .....	14b		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part II</i> .....	15		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part III</i> .....	16		X
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I</i> .....	17		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II</i> .....	18	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III</i> .....	19		X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H</i> .....	20		X
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> .....	21	X	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> .....	22		X
23 Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J</i> .....	23		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If 'Yes,' answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to question 25</i> .....	24a		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? .....	24b		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? .....	24c		
d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? .....	24d		
25a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....	25a		X
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....	25b		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II</i> .....	26		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III</i> .....	27		X

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)**

	Yes	No
<b>28</b> During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee:		
<b>a</b> Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i> .....	<b>28a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i> .....	<b>28b</b>	X
<b>c</b> Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i> .....	<b>28c</b>	X
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i> .....	<b>29</b>	X
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i> .....	<b>30</b>	X
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I.</i> .....	<b>31</b>	X
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II.</i> .....	<b>32</b>	X
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I.</i> .....	<b>33</b>	X
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i> .....	<b>34</b>	X
<b>35</b> Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i> .....	<b>35</b>	X
<b>36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i> .....	<b>36</b>	X
<b>37</b> Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i> .....	<b>37</b>	X

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**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable. . . . .		
<b>1a</b>	39		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable. . . . .		
<b>1b</b>	0		
<b>1c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? . . . . .		X
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return. . . . .		
<b>2a</b>	44		
<b>2b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? . . . . . <b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)	X	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? . . . . .		X
<b>3b</b>	If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O. . . . .		
<b>4a</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? . . . . .		X
<b>4b</b>	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>Form TD F 90-22.1</b> , Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? . . . . .		X
<b>5b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? . . . . .		X
<b>5c</b>	If 'Yes,' to question 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction? . . . . .		
<b>6a</b>	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible? . . . . .	X	
<b>6b</b>	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not deductible? . . . . .	X	
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>7a</b>	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of more than \$75? . . . . .	X	
<b>7b</b>	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? . . . . .	X	
<b>7c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? . . . . .		X
<b>7d</b>	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year. . . . .		
<b>7e</b>	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .		X
<b>7f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .		X
<b>7g</b>	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? . . . . .		X
<b>7h</b>	For all contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required? . . . . .		X
<b>8</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? . . . . .		
<b>9</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>9a</b>	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? . . . . .		
<b>9b</b>	Did the organization make any distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? . . . . .		
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>10a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 . . . . .		
<b>10b</b>	Gross Receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities. . . . .		
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>11a</b>	Gross income from other members or shareholders . . . . .		
<b>11b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) . . . . .		
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? . . . . .		
<b>12b</b>	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. . . . .		

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**Part VI Governance, Management and Disclosure** (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
<i>For each 'Yes' response to lines 2-7b below, and for a 'No' response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.</i>			
<b>1 a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
<b>1 b</b>	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
<b>2</b>	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee?		X
<b>3</b>	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? <i>See Sch. O</i>	X	
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
<b>6</b>	Does the organization have members or stockholders? <i>See Schedule O</i>	X	
<b>7 a</b>	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? <i>See Schedule O</i>	X	
<b>7 b</b>	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>8 a</b>	The governing body?	X	
<b>8 b</b>	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
<b>9 a</b>	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
<b>9 b</b>	If 'Yes,' does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
<b>10</b>	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990 <i>See Schedule O</i>	X	
<b>11</b>	Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? <i>If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O</i>		X

**Section B. Policies**

		Yes	No
<b>12 a</b>	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? <i>If 'No,' go to line 13</i>	X	
<b>12 b</b>	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
<b>12 c</b>	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? <i>If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done. See Schedule O</i>	X	
<b>13</b>	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
<b>14</b>	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		X
<b>15</b>	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision:		
<b>15 a</b>	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	X	
<b>15 b</b>	Other officers of key employees of the organization? <i>See Schedule O</i>	X	
<b>16 a</b>	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
<b>16 b</b>	If 'Yes,' has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

**Section C. Disclosures**

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ None
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website     Another's website     Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. *See Schedule O*
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:  
 ▶ VALORIE DRAKE PO BOX 1874 BOZEMAN MT 59771-1874 406-586-1593

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1 a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) or more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee, or key employee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
NED JANNOTTA CO-TREASURER	1	X		X				0.	0.	0.
TODD GRAHAM Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
BOB KEITER Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
SWEP DAVIS Chairman	10	X		X				0.	0.	0.
FARWELL SMITH CO-TREASURER	3	X		X				0.	0.	0.
DAVE DELEHANTY Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
CYNTHIA MURPHY Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
ANN CHRISTENSEN Secretary	1	X		X				0.	0.	0.
STEVE CONNOLLY Director	10	X						0.	0.	0.
MAXINE DAKINS Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
REVEREND WARREN MURPHY Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
BEEDEF LADD Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
MELISSA LINDSAY VICE CHAIR	3	X		X				0.	0.	0.
MARCIA KUNSTEL Director	3	X						0.	0.	0.
KUNI SCHMERTZLER Director	3	X						0.	0.	0.
JIM SPENCER Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
NIC PATRICK Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (cont.)**

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
KATHY RICHMOND Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
JOHN SCHMIDT Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
GEOFFREY STEPHENS Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
TED TURNER Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
PHIL WASHBURN Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
WOODWARD WICKHAM Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
CHARLOTTE VAUGHAN WINTON Director	1	X						0.	0.	0.
MICHAEL SCOTT EXEC DIRECTOR	40					X		108,376.	0.	0.
<b>1 b Total</b>								108,376.	0.	0.

2 Total number of individuals (including those in 1a) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 1

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual.	3	X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual.	4	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person	5	X

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of Services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including those in 1) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶ 0

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1 a</b>				
	<b>b</b> Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1 b</b>				
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1 c</b>				
	<b>d</b> Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1 d</b>				
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) . . . . .	<b>1 e</b>				
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above . . . . .	<b>1 f</b> 2,919,759.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contribns included in lns 1a-1f: . . . . \$					
<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .	▶	2,919,759.				
<b>PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE</b>	<b>2 a</b> ANNUAL MEETING	Business Code	56,004.		56,004.	
	<b>b</b> SALES		1,163.	1,163.		
	<b>c</b> SPECIAL EVENTS		26,345.		26,345.	
	<b>d</b> _____					
	<b>e</b> _____					
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue . . . . .					
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .	▶	83,512.			
<b>OTHER REVENUE</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts) . . . . .	▶	133,798.		133,798.	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .	▶				
	<b>5</b> Royalties . . . . .	▶				
	<b>6 a</b> Gross Rents . . . . .	(i) Real	13,915.			
		(ii) Personal				
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses . . . . .					
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) . . . . .		13,915.			
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .	▶	13,915.		13,915.	
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory . . . . .	(i) Securities	100,000.			
		(ii) Other				
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .		102,887.			
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) . . . . .		-2,887.			
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) . . . . .	▶	-2,887.		-2,887.	
	<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>a</b>	103,837.			
		<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses . . . . .	<b>b</b>	9,980.		
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .		▶	93,857.	93,857.		
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses . . . . .	<b>b</b>				
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .	▶				
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>b</b>				
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .	▶				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
<b>11 a</b> MISCELLANEOUS		40,023.		40,023.		
<b>b</b> RETIREMENT PLAN FORFEIT		5,373.		5,373.		
<b>c</b> _____						
<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .	▶	45,396.				
<b>12 Total Revenue.</b> Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e . . . . .	▶	3,287,350.	95,020.	0.	272,571.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21.	20,320.	20,320.		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22.	2,000.	2,000.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	0.	0.	0.	0.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0.	0.	0.	0.
7 Other salaries and wages.	1,314,257.	946,832.	162,723.	204,702.
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions).	66,154.	48,598.	8,106.	9,450.
9 Other employee benefits.	176,671.	109,180.	34,724.	32,767.
10 Payroll taxes.	118,975.	84,402.	18,111.	16,462.
11 Fees for services (non-employees).				
a Management.	92,875.	17,570.	67,031.	8,274.
b Legal.	18,578.	16,350.	2,228.	
c Accounting.	5,000.		5,000.	
d Lobbying.	65,497.	65,497.		
e Prof fundraising svcs. See Part IV, ln 17.				
f Investment management fees.				
g Other.	154,393.	154,393.		
12 Advertising and promotion.	44,048.	9,434.		34,614.
13 Office expenses.	208,694.	108,776.	13,196.	86,722.
14 Information technology.	103,716.	64,448.	6,454.	32,814.
15 Royalties.				
16 Occupancy.	128,155.	91,327.	17,084.	19,744.
17 Travel.	86,891.	71,018.	2,845.	13,028.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	70,921.	58,779.	11,516.	626.
20 Interest.				
21 Payments to affiliates.				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	6,336.	5,068.	634.	634.
23 Insurance.	13,450.	8,847.	3,497.	1,106.
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a <u>SPECIAL EVENTS</u>	58,199.	57,546.	209.	444.
b <u>GIFT ANNUITY EXPENSE</u>	12,192.			12,192.
c -----				
d -----				
e -----				
f All other expenses.				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f.	2,767,322.	1,940,385.	353,358.	473,579.
26 Joint Costs. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1	Cash — non-interest-bearing		1
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	1,937,091.	2 618,045.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	956,749.	3 1,388,461.
	4	Accounts receivable, net		4
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	18,074.	9 17,241.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost basis	10a 1,343,665.	
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10b 42,341.	10c 1,301,324.
	11	Investments — publicly-traded securities		11
	12	Investments — other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12
	13	Investments — program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13
	14	Intangible assets		14
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	3,253,212.	15 3,345,671.
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	6,185,803.	16 6,670,742.	
LIABILITIES	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	245,211.	17 170,744.
	18	Grants payable		18
	19	Deferred revenue		19
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20
	21	Escrow account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable		24
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	194,980.	25 169,576.
	26	<b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	440,191.	26 340,320.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27	Unrestricted net assets	1,264,541.	27 2,544,436.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	2,611,173.	28 1,916,088.
	29	Permanently restricted net assets	1,869,898.	29 1,869,898.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		31
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32
33	<b>Total net assets or fund balances.</b>	5,745,612.	33 6,330,422.	
34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.</b>	6,185,803.	34 6,670,742.	

**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
c	If 'Yes' to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	X	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?		

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**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include 'unusual grants'.)	3,243,660.	2,552,593.	2,805,947.	2,771,839.	2,919,759.	14,293,798.
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf.						0.
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge.						0.
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1-3.	3,243,660.	2,552,593.	2,805,947.	2,771,839.	2,919,759.	14,293,798.
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f).						2,857,572.
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						11,436,226.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4.	3,243,660.	2,552,593.	2,805,947.	2,771,839.	2,919,759.	14,293,798.
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.	136,005.	197,915.	228,194.	215,324.	144,826.	922,264.
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0.
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) See Part IV.	76,907.	161,304.	155,917.	147,759.	42,509.	584,396.
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10.						15,800,458.
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions).					12	0.
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)).	<b>14</b>	72.4 %
<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f.	<b>15</b>	73.6 %
<b>16a 33-1/3 support test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33-1/3 support test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include 'unusual grants'.) . . . . .						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in a activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge. . . . .						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1-5 . . . . .						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, 3 received from disqualified persons. . . . .						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b. . . . .						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 . . . . .						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975. . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b. . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on. . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (add lns 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

**14 First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g . . . . .	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for <b>2008</b> (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from <b>2007</b> Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h . . . . .	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 33-1/3 support tests – 2008.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶

**b 33-1/3 support tests – 2007.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. . . . . ▶

**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions. . . . . ▶



Client 13683

GREATER YELLOWSTONE COALITION

81-0414042

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**Part II, Line 10 - Other Income**

Nature and Source	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
OTHER	42,509.	147,759.	155,917.	161,304.	76,907.
Total	<u>\$ 42,509.</u>	<u>\$ 147,759.</u>	<u>\$ 155,917.</u>	<u>\$ 161,304.</u>	<u>\$ 76,907.</u>

**Schedule B**  
**(Form 990, 990-EZ,**  
**or 990-PF)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

▶ **Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ and 990-PF**  
▶ **See separate instructions.**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2008**

Name of the organization

GREATER YELLOWSTONE COALITION

Employer identification number

81-0414042

**Organization type** (check one):

**Filers of:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

**Section:**

- 501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
- 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

- 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
- 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**. (**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.)

**General Rule –**

For organizations filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. (Complete Parts I and II.)

**Special Rules –**

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1)/170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or 2% of the amount on Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions or bequests of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, some contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc, purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. (If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc, purpose. Do not complete any of the Parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc, contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year.) . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution:** Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) but they **must** answer 'No' on Part IV, line 2 of their Form 990, or check the box in the heading of their Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

**BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990. These instructions will be issued separately.**

**Schedule B** (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2008)

Name of organization

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GREATER YELLOWSTONE COALITION

81-0414042

**Part I** Contributors (see instructions.)

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	WILLIAM & FLORA HEWLETT FOUND 2121 SAND HILL ROAD MENLO PARK, CA 94025-6903	\$ 460,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	MR. AND MRS. GILMAN ORDWAY 77910 CHEROKEE DRIVE INDIAN WELLS, CA 92210	\$ 70,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3	TURNER FOUNDATION, INC. 133 LUCKIE ST 2ND FLOOR ATLANTA, GA 30303	\$ 150,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
4	WYSS FOUNDATION 1601 CONNECTICUT AVE NW 802 WASHINGTON, DC 20009	\$ 202,800.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
5	ISDELL FOUNDATION 136 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10016	\$ 139,573.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
6	BAYLOR LANDRUM 516 ROLLING LANE LOUISVILLE, KY 40207	\$ 100,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

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**Part II** Noncash Property (see instructions.)

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	N/A		

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**Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations aggregating more than \$1,000 for the year.** (Complete cols (a) through (e) and the following line entry.)

For organizations completing Part III, enter total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once – see instructions.) ..... \$ N/A

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	N/A		

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

**SCHEDULE C**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2008**

**For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527**

▶ **To be completed by organizations described below.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

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**If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then**

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: complete Part I-A only.

**If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then**

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

**If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then**

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization <b>GREATER YELLOWSTONE COALITION</b>	Employer identification number <b>81-0414042</b>
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**Part I-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations.**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours .....

**Part I-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3).**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? .....  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made? .....  Yes  No  
b If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2 and enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b. .... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? .....  Yes  No
- 5 State the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. Enter the amount paid and indicate if the amount was paid from the filing organization's funds or were political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's own internal funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

**Part II-A To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.  
**B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and 'limited control' provisions apply.

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures – (The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)</b>	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals
<b>1 a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying) .....	25,611.	
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) .....	39,886.	
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) .....	65,497.	0.
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures .....	2,711,805.	
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) .....	2,777,302.	0.
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	288,865.	
<b>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is</b>	<b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is</b>	
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.	
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) .....	72,216.	0.
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a. Enter -0- if line g is more than line a. ....	0.	0.
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c. Enter -0- if line f is more than line c. ....	0.	0.
<b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying non-taxable amount .....	281,250.	302,243.	314,151.	288,865.	1,186,509.
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e)) .....					1,779,764.
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures .....	42,123.	68,655.	127,759.	65,497.	304,034.
<b>d</b> Grassroots non-taxable amount .....	38,450.	44,488.	78,538.	72,216.	233,692.
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)) .....					350,538.
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures .....	3,673.	24,167.	59,391.	25,611.	112,842.

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**Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?			
i Other activities? If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV			
j Total lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

**Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered 'No' OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered 'Yes.'** See Schedule C Instructions for details.

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 2c total minus 3 and 4)	5	

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

2008

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate contributions, aggregate grants, aggregate value, and two questions about donor advisement.

Part II Conservation Easements Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include purpose of easements, number of easements, and monitoring details.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include questions about reporting art and historical treasures.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a  Public exhibition
- b  Scholarly research
- c  Preservation for future generations
- d  Loan or exchange programs
- e  Other \_\_\_\_\_

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?  Yes  No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

**Part V Endowment Funds** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	1,932,672.				
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or losses	60,969.				
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	100,000.				
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	1,893,641.				

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b Permanent endowment  100.00 %
- c Term endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(ii) related organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If 'Yes' to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book Value
1a Land		600,000.		600,000.
b Buildings		670,446.		670,446.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		73,219.	42,341.	30,878.
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				1,301,324.

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**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements**

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		3,287,350.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)		2,767,322.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1		520,028.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments		64,782.
5	Donated services and use of facilities		
6	Investment expenses		
7	Prior period adjustments		
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)		
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4-8		64,782.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9		584,810.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	3,362,112.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	64,782.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV) See Part XIV	2d	9,980.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	74,762.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	3,287,350.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	3,287,350.

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	2,777,302.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV) See Part XIV	2d	9,980.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	9,980.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	2,767,322.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	2,767,322.

**Part XIV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b.

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**Schedule D, Part XII, Line 2d**  
**Other Revenue Included In F/S But Not Included On Form 990**

SEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE..... \$ 9,980.  
Total \$ 9,980.

**Schedule D, Part XIII, Line 2d**  
**Other Expenses And Losses Per Audited F/S**

SEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE..... \$ 9,980.  
Total \$ 9,980.



**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

REVENUE	(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events
	<u>TURNER</u> (event type)	<u>SILENT AUCTION</u> (event type)	(total number)	(Add col. (a) through col. (c))
1	Gross receipts	90,850.	12,987.	103,837.
2	Less: Charitable contributions			
3	Gross revenue (line 1 minus line 2)	90,850.	12,987.	103,837.
DIRECT EXPENSES	4	Cash prizes		
	5	Non-cash prizes		
	6	Rent/facility costs		
	7	Other direct expenses	9,243.	737.
8	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4- through 7 in column (d)			9,980.
9	Net income summary. Combine lines 3 and 8 in column (d)			93,857.

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

REVENUE	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming
	(Add col. (a) through col. (c))			
1	Gross revenue			
DIRECT EXPENSES	2	Cash prizes		
	3	Non-cash prizes		
	4	Rent/facility costs		
	5	Other direct expenses		
	6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)			
8	Net gaming income summary. Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d)			

	YES	NO
9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____		
a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? .....	9a	
b If 'No,' Explain: ----- -----		
10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? .....	10a	
b If 'Yes,' Explain: ----- -----		
11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers? .....	11	
12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? .....	12	

		YES	NO
<b>13</b> Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in:			
<b>a</b> The organization's facility. ....	<b>13a</b>	%	
<b>b</b> An outside facility. ....	<b>13b</b>	%	
<b>14</b> Provide the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:			
Name: ▶ -----			
Address: ▶ -----			
<b>15a</b> Does the organization have a contact with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? .....	<b>15a</b>		
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party \$ _____.			
<b>c</b> If 'Yes,' enter name and address:			
Name: ▶ -----			
Address: ▶ -----			
<b>16</b> Gaming manager information			
Name: ▶ -----			
Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____			
Description of services provided: ▶ -----			
<input type="checkbox"/> Director/officer <input type="checkbox"/> Employee <input type="checkbox"/> Independent contractor			
<b>17</b> Mandatory distributions			
<b>a</b> Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? .....	<b>17a</b>		
<b>b</b> Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year: ▶ \$ _____			



**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

**Part I, Line 2 - Grantmaker's Description of How Grants are Used**

GYC occasionally provides small grants and assistance to other organizations. When a staff member receives a request from another entity for assistance, that staff member determines if the project is consistent with GYC's current program plan or long-term objectives. If so, the staff member confirms authorization from the Conservation Director to award the grant. Small grants are built into GYC's annual budget per staff requests to the extent funding is in hand or confidently obtainable. If sufficient funds had not been included in the annual budget, then GYC has an established purchase approval procedure through which the staff member must articulate their request and justification to obtain authorization from the Conservation Director and Executive Director. Once the grant is awarded, the staff

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**Part I, Line 2 - Grantmaker's Description of How Grants are Used (continued)**

member monitors the project for adherence to the agreed-upon goals and overall success.

**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

**Non-Cash Contributions**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2008**

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

► **To be completed by organizations that answered 'Yes'  
on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.  
► Attach to Form 990.**

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

**GREATER YELLOWSTONE COALITION**

**81-0414042**

**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of Contributions	(c) Revenues reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining revenues
1 Art—Works of art .....	X	14	12,987.	SELLING PRICE
2 Art—Historical treasures .....				
3 Art—Fractional interests .....				
4 Books and publications .....				
5 Clothing and household goods .....				
6 Cars and other vehicles .....				
7 Boats and planes .....				
8 Intellectual property .....				
9 Securities—Publicly traded .....	X	9	37,680.	COMP SALES
10 Securities—Closely held stock .....				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests .....				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous .....				
13 Qualified conservation contribution (historic structures) .....				
14 Qualified conservation contribution (other) .....				
15 Real estate—Residential .....				
16 Real estate—Commercial .....				
17 Real estate—Other .....				
18 Collectibles .....				
19 Food inventory .....				
20 Drugs and medical supplies .....				
21 Taxidermy .....				
22 Historical artifacts .....				
23 Scientific specimens .....				
24 Archeological artifacts .....				
25 Other ► ( _____ ) .....				
26 Other ► ( _____ ) .....				
27 Other ► ( _____ ) .....				
28 Other ► ( _____ ) .....				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement .....

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	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? .....		X
b If 'Yes,' describe the arrangement in Part II.		
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions? .....		X
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? .....	X	
b If 'Yes,' describe in Part II. See Part II		
33 If the organization did not report revenues in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

**BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.**

Schedule M (Form 990) 2008

**Part II** **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33. Also complete this part for any additional information.

**Part I, Line 32 - Hire and Use of Third Parties**

VANGUARD BROKERAGE SERVICES PROCESSES STOCK GIFTS THAT ARE DIRECTED TO THE ORGANIZATION'S ACCOUNT THERE. THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCE DIRECTOR SELLS THE ORDERS ELECTRONICALLY.

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990)**

**Supplemental Information to Form 990**

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**PART I. 1. DESCRIPTION OF MISSION CONT.**

Greater Yellowstone Coalition was founded in 1983 on a simple premise that a healthy, wild ecosystem can prosper only if it is kept whole. Since that time, GYC has emerged as a nationally known advocate for the idea that ecosystem management should guide the management of the region's public and private lands. The region of Greater Yellowstone is centered in the two national parks and six national forests which form the ecosystem's core, surrounded by private land in 20 counties that include parts of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. GYC works to ensure that a thoughtful and holistic approach is taken to managing the national natural and wildlife resources in harmony with people and modern development. GYC works to shape a future where wildlife populations maintain their full diversity and vitality, where ecological processes function with minimal intervention, where exceptional recreational opportunities abound for visitors and residents alike, and where communities can enjoy a healthy and diversified economy.

**Form 990, Part III, Line 4d - Other Program Services Description**

GENERAL PROGRAMS

RARE AND IMPERILED SPECIES - SEE ATTACHMENT A

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 3 - Description of Delegated Duties to Management Company**

The organization delegated management duties customarily performed by the Executive Director to two consultants - Michael S. Clark, an individual consultant, for the months of November and December 2008, and then Rick Reese of Peth-Saige, Inc. for the months of January through March 2009 -- while the organization's Board of Directors conducted a search to fill the Executive Director position.

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder**

The organization's members pay dues and contributions, and may elect one or more members of the governing Board. Some of them attend the annual membership meeting, and some take actions to help achieve our mission.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body**

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 10 - Form 990 Review Process**

A copy of the Form 990 is provided in hard copy (and is also available as a pdf electronic file) to all members of the organization's governing body. The Finance Committee first reviews and approves the Form 990; the Finance Committee Chair then reports to the full Board of Directors at their March meeting. Upon approval from the Board, the Form 990 is signed by an officer of the corporation and filed with the IRS.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts**

The organization's Bylaws contain a section entitled "Self-Dealings" which broadly prohibits conflicts of interests by Board members, staff and volunteers. That section describes what proscriptions must be placed on a Board members' involvement in GYC issues when such a conflict exists. The organization's Personnel Policies and Practices document and a Board and Staff Roles and Relationships document also contain written conflict of interest policy sections.

Upon hire and when any changes are made to the Personnel Policies and Practices document (which is reviewed annually for any needed updates), all employees are given a copy of these documents, the changes are reviewed with them, and they sign a statement acknowledging they have read and understand them.

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts (contin**

New Board members are provided with these documents during a Board orientation session. In addition, all Board members are annually provided with a memo explaining the organization's Conflict of Interest Policy along with a form which they sign acknowledging they have read the provisions, have no conflict of interest with the organization's mission or programs at this time, and that they have an affirmative duty to disclose to the appropriate GYC Board and/or staff should they become aware of any activity or interest which represents a material or perceived conflict of interest in their role with the organization in the future. This form contains several questions to provide answers needed for the IRS Form 990, and space is provided on the form to disclose possible conflicts.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process for Officers & Key Employees**

The Board Executive Committee meets at least annually in executive session to review the Executive Director's performance, salary and benefits, and makes recommendations for any changes to the full Board of Directors for their approval in an executive session. In doing so, the committee considers data from current compensation surveys compiled by independent firms, and data for comparable positions with other similar organizations. The Board's decision is documented in general in minutes of their meeting, and in detail in a confidential memo to the Executive Director's personnel file, which is given to the Director of Finance and Administration for implementation and filing. Included in the documentation are the terms of the compensation arrangement; the date approved, the names of the Board members who were present during the discussion and who voted on it, and the data relied upon in making the decision.

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available**

The organization makes its governing documents and financial statements available to the public upon request in the form of electronic pdf copies or hard copy. In addition, the IRS determination letter, audited financial statements and Form 990s are posted on the organization's web site.

**Rental Income Worksheet**

**SUBLET OF OFFICE SPACE**

Gross Rental Income.....	\$	13,915.
Expenses		
Total Expenses.....	\$	<u>0.</u>
Net Rental Income or Loss		<u>\$ 13,915.</u>

**Excess Contributions  
Schedule A, Part II, Line 5**

Name	2004	2005	2006	2007	2009	Total	2% Amt	Excess
DORIS DUKE CHAR FOUN	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
HEWLETT FOUNDATION	300000.	300000.	375000.	375000.	460000.	1810000.	316009.	1493991.
SCOTT OPLER FOUN	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
MR. GILMAN ORDWAY	90,000.	130000.	75,000.	75,000.	70,000.	440000.	316009.	123,991.
TURNER FOUNDATION	165000.	100000.	175000.	165000.	150000.	755000.	316009.	438,991.
WILBURFORCE FOUN	56,000.	73,500.	57,000.	99,500.	45,000.	331000.	316009.	14,991.
WYSS FOUNDATION	100000.	200000.	150000.	202800.	202800.	855600.	316009.	539,591.
ISDELL FOUNDATION	25,000.	34,592.	126571.	236290.	139573.	562026.	316009.	246,017.
Total	<u>\$ 736000.</u>	<u>\$ 838092.</u>	<u>\$ 958571.</u>	<u>\$ 1153590.</u>	<u>\$ 1067373.</u>	<u>\$ 4753626.</u>	<u>\$ 1896054.</u>	<u>\$ 2857572.</u>

**Schedule D, Part V  
Endowment Funds**

	Current Year	Prior Year	Two Yrs. Back	Three Yrs. Back	Four Yrs. Back
Beginning of year balance	1,932,672.	0.	0.	0.	0.
Contributions					
Investment earnings (losses)	60,969.				
Grants or scholarships					
Expend. for facilities & progs	100,000.				
Administrative expenses					
End of year balance	1,893,641.	0.	0.	0.	0.

## SCHEDULE D PART XIV - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

PART XII 2D AND PART XIII 2D AMOUNTS REPRESENT DIRECT EXPENSES SUBTRACTED FROM INCOME FROM FUNDRAISING EVENTS ON FORM 990 PART VIII 8B AND WERE ALSO, THEREFORE, NOT INCLUDED IN SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES AS REPORTED ON PART IX 24B COLUMN (D). THE INCOME AND EXPENSES WERE REPORTED IN FULL ON THE ORGANIZATION'S AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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## **SUMMARY REVIEW OF FY2009 PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

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*The Greater Yellowstone Coalition is a group of people and organizations working together to protect the lands, waters, and wildlife of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, now and for future generations.*

It was a good year for us in fulfilling our mission of conserving the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Here are some highlights:

1. We protected 1.2 million acres in the Wyoming Range in western Wyoming from the impacts of oil and gas drilling.
2. We secured Wild and Scenic River protection status for 387 miles of the Snake River and its tributaries.
3. We returned Endangered Species protections to Greater Yellowstone's iconic grizzly bears through a successful challenge to agency management plans.

At the same time, the ecosystem faced threats to its wild lands, waters and other iconic species this year. GYC, in concert with our partners, met those challenges and made significant progress on protecting the most intact ecosystem in the lower 48 states.

### **PROTECTION OF LANDS - \$1,036,796**

#### ***Program Goal:***

**Public lands in Greater Yellowstone including the two national parks, are managed across boundaries for the benefit of all native wildlife, their habitat, and to sustain ecosystem functions and management of non-native species is done in ways to benefit native species. In addition, GYC will seek recognition and protection for the key migratory paths and dispersal areas in Greater Yellowstone.**

Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks are the core of the ecosystem, but the lands surrounding them are vital to maintaining abundant and healthy wildlife populations. This year, we worked across three states to maintain the character of the Parks and protect critical habitat including wildlife corridors, winter range and roadless lands. Much of our efforts involved partners including national, regional and local conservation groups as well as concerned residents and business owners.

#### **Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks**

- We protected Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks in wintertime. After the National Park Service issued a plan that ignored its own scientific data on the impacts of motorized recreation, we sought a court review of the decision. The court agreed with us and directed the Park Service to come up with a new rule that is in compliance with its mandate of not impairing park resources and protecting air quality, wildlife and the quality of experience for all visitors. The Park Service begins crafting a new interim rule that reduced the number of snowmobiles during the next two years, while it develops a permanent plan. We continued our work to show that snow coaches are quieter and cleaner than snowmobiles and represent the best way to create a permanent plan to provide

visitor access while ensuring the park remains unimpaired now and for future generations

### **The lands that surround the Parks**

- We worked with our partners to protect 1.2 million acres in the Wyoming Range in western Wyoming from the threat of large scale energy development. Our efforts were successful when a bill to ensure that its wildlife and recreation values remain intact for future generations and introduced by Wyoming Senator John Barrasso, passed Congress and was signed into law by the President.
- In southeast Idaho, we worked to protect vital roadless lands by insisting that expanded phosphate mining not take place until the operators clean up the contamination they've already caused at existing sites. When federal agencies issued permits for expanding mining without cleaning the current mess, we challenged that decision in court. In addition, we worked to ensure that another company is held to a higher standard at their new proposed mine. Thanks to our work and our outreach efforts, area residents are much more aware of and concerned about the threat of groundwater contamination from mining.
- In the Upper Green River Valley we continued to hold the gas industry and the Bureau of Land Management accountable for the impacts on wildlife and the air and water quality of the Valley from industrial scale development. With our partners, we played a watchdog role over energy development proposals that came out of large scale management plans that we worked to influence.
- On the Gallatin National Forest, we obtained a ruling that the Forest Service must reconsider its decision to allow increased motorized use in a wilderness study area near Yellowstone National Park. This will benefit both wildlife and quiet recreation users.
- On the Shoshone National Forest in Wyoming, we involved local residents and forest users in public meetings and got their support for protecting roadless lands, which are crucial for wildlife. We also presented information to the Department of Interior about critical grizzly bear habitat on the Forest, which helped lead to the withdrawal of proposed oil and gas leases in that area.
- On the Cody field office of the BLM we worked with local residents and other conservation organizations to raise awareness about energy development in the Big Horn Basin. As part of this effort, we crafted and submitted comments voicing our opposition to a proposed drilling project in an area with high wildlife and recreation values.
- Our national forest work in Wyoming and Idaho included travel planning issues on the Caribou, and Bridger-Teton National forests. We worked across the ecosystem to ensure that wildlife habitat and quiet recreation opportunities were protected.
- On the Beaverhead-Deer Lodge National Forest, we engaged allies and area residents in supporting new wilderness recommendations in the forest plan. We also engaged with other conservation groups in exploring ways to build consensus for Congressional designation of Wilderness on Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands to help ensure long term protection of habitat linking the GYE to the wild lands of central Idaho. Those efforts include building support for

legislation by Senator Jon Tester that would designate over 120,000 acres of new wilderness in the southwest Montana portion of the ecosystem.

**Grants Made to Others for National Park Protection:**

- A grant of \$500 was contributed to the Northern Plains Resource Council toward an economic analysis of potential development of the Otter Creek Coal Tracts, as follow-up resulting from the Noranda/New World Mine agreement that protected headwaters of the Yellowstone River and Yellowstone National Park.

**Grants Made to Others for Land Protection:**

- GYC made a grant of \$2,000 to Perry Walker toward his work to monitor air quality impacts from natural gas wells in the Green River Valley, Sublette County, Wyoming. The air quality data is used to educate the community, including gas producers and government agencies, on conditions that may be affected by increasing natural gas development, and we hope the information will be used to change ongoing practices that are deleterious to air quality.
- \$1,250 was given to the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance toward their “Don’t Poach the Powder Campaign”, an ad campaign to educate the public about the values of wildlife winter ranges and to work with a variety of stakeholders (skiers, snowboarders, and snowmobilers) to mitigate the impacts from recreationists on wintering wildlife.
- A grant of \$1,000 was made to the University of Colorado Natural Resources Law Center to help with the expenses of creating an oil and gas Best Management Practices database. This searchable database addresses surface resources affected by oil and gas development, and includes both mandatory and voluntary practices currently in use and/or recommended for responsible resource management in the states of Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. It can be accessed at <http://www.oilandgasbmeps.org/>.
- GYC made a grant of \$4,000 to the Henry's Fork Foundation for their Fremont County Growth Solutions work to help with land use planning efforts in a wildlife rich area west of Yellowstone National Park.
- A grant of \$4,000 was made to Valley Advocates for Responsible Development for their work on land use planning in Teton Valley, Idaho an area that has experienced rapid growth in the last ten years.

**RARE and IMPERILED SPECIES - \$326,179**

***Program Goal:*** GYC will ensure that the region’s rare and imperiled species survive and flourish.

Our efforts focused on protecting three icons of a wild Yellowstone- bison, the grizzly bear and wolves. We employed a myriad of strategies in working on the ground across the ecosystem:

- On bison, we completed an agreement to let this symbol of the wild start to roam out of Yellowstone and onto public lands north of the Park. We also worked for and obtained changes to the bison management plan that allow bison to roam onto their winter range west of the Park without as much interference. When a livestock industry group tried to block such movements, we went to court and are defending letting bison be the wildlife they should be and not be treated like livestock.
- Grizzly bears were removed from ESA protections in 2007. While we believe that the rebound of Yellowstone's bears is a great event, we also believe the federal government did not include adequate safeguards to ensure that rebound endures, so we challenged the decision in court. The court ruled in our favor and ordered the Fish and Wildlife Service to return Endangered Species protections to bears and in effect, go back to the drawing board for a workable conservation plan.

A spike in bear deaths outside the National Parks shows that bears need both improvements in habitat protection standards on public lands and there is a need for more public outreach and education on how to avoid conflicts with bears. Along those lines, we secured new garbage storage options for businesses in the Island Park area of Idaho just west of Yellowstone that will lead to fewer bears into in trash and being killed because they become habituated to people.

- GYC staffed two full-time interns in Grand Teton National Park from June through August to partner with the National Park Service in educating the visiting public about how to recreate safely around grizzly bears and other wildlife. These interns provided capacity that otherwise would not have existed due to Grand Teton's limited budget.
- GYC led "Living With Wildlife" workshops in Madison Valley. Participants learned techniques to reduce potential conflicts with large carnivores such as wolves and grizzly bears and to ensure property fences do not impede wildlife migration.
- Over the past year, our wolf conservation work has focused on ensuring state management plans and implementing regulations sustain a recovered population of wolves and on reducing the number of livestock/predator conflicts in Greater Yellowstone. We organized our members to comment on the process of developing tentative wolf hunting seasons in MT, and ID. When the Fish and Wildlife Service decided to remove Endangered Species protections from wolves in part of the ecosystem with a plan that does not contain adequate safeguards in the remaining areas, we challenged that decision in court.
- In Wyoming, we continued our efforts to move the state away from unnatural feeding of wildlife. This outdated practice produces conditions that are a breeding ground for disease. We filed an action seeking court review of a decision to continue feeding wildlife on the National Elk Refuge, a system that leads to unhealthy herds.

### **Grants Made to Others for Wildlife Protection:**

- GYC paid Bear Saver \$8,790 to purchase grizzly bear proof dumpsters for the Island Park community of eastern Idaho, making the community safer for people and bears both.
- GYC also contributed \$280 to Brian Aber and the Island Park Ranger District of the Targhee National Forest for the purchase of materials needed to provide some grizzly bear proof bird feeders for the Island Park community of eastern Idaho, making the community safer for people and bears both. Volunteers installed the feeders, replacing feeders that were accessible to bears

### **RIVERS AND CLIMATE CHANGE - \$111,454**

***Program Goal: The ecological integrity of Greater Yellowstone is maintained in such a way that the ecosystem supports healthy and abundant fish and aquatic populations that successfully adapt to a changing climate.***

The Rivers of Greater Yellowstone are among the most healthy and free flowing in the Western U.S. At the same time, they face threats from inappropriate proposals and management choices.

- In Wyoming, our efforts led to the passage of legislation to designate the headwaters of the Snake River as Wild and Scenic waters. The bill permanently protected 387 miles of miles of rivers and streams. It was introduced by the late Senator Craig Thomas and carried forward by his successor Senator John Barrasso. It passed as part of the same public lands package as the Wyoming Range protection bill.
- In southeast Idaho, we continued to build opposition to a proposed dam that would inundate tributaries of the Bear River that are critical for Bonneville Cutthroat Trout. The plan would also destroy valuable recreation areas. It was opposed by the state game and fish agency and the region's major power company because of its impacts on fisheries.
- In the Island Park area of Idaho, we negotiated and helped design a groundbreaking agreement with the developer of a planned hydro energy project. The plan involved adding hydropower to an existing dam. Working with our partners, we got the developer to agree to modify the plan to ensure that for the first time in 75 years, Yellowstone Cutthroat trout could get around the dam and reach valuable habitat. Construction of the improvements is underway.
- We also increased our efforts to focus decision makers on the impacts of climate change on native fish and river systems. That work includes creation of an assessment of the projected effects of climate change on native trout over the next fifty years.

### **Grants Made to Others for River Protection:**

- GYC granted \$500 to "Park County, Our Future" toward their work on the Park County, Montana, Growth Policy which contains new language focusing on river and stream conservation.

## GENERAL OUTREACH & EDUCATION / COMMUNICATIONS - \$374,127

The year saw a shift in emphasis for our Communications, as we gave increased attention to media efforts and campaign-oriented outreach in Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem communities.

- Campaign-oriented outreach began in earnest with several visits to West Yellowstone to work with the community and area media about winter-use issues in Yellowstone National Park. Other issue-related trips were made to Idaho Falls (phosphate), Jackson (Elk Refuge and wolves), and Cody (oil and gas). Our media efforts in Pocatello, Idaho — which included an op-ed about phosphate mining and an in-depth piece about the negative impacts on one family — led to a dramatic editorial shift by the Idaho State Journal newspaper. The paper, which had been unequivocally pro-mining, came out with an opinion that no new mining should commence until old messes were cleaned up. In Cody, what began as a basement meeting attended by five people mushroomed into a standing-room-only crowd at the public library for a forum about oil and gas development. GYC orchestrated the entire event, an effort that included stories in local and regional newspapers and television. Outreach efforts in West Yellowstone have led to a warming of relationships between community leaders and GYC as we begin to work toward a solution to the contentious winter-use issue. And in Jackson, where the artificial winter feeding of elk has been a divisive issue, we have helped the community begin to look beyond the science of disease to see the value of a natural regeneration of Jackson Hole right before its eyes.
- General GYC outreach included tabling in Yellowstone National Park throughout the summer at Old Faithful, Grant Village, Fishing Bridge and Mammoth. GYC advertisements ran through the spring on cable television in Jackson and Bozeman, and we produced print advertisements that ran nationally in Backpacker Magazine and regionally in Outside Bozeman. During tabling in Yellowstone, we distributed nearly 200 editions of GYC's Advocate to visitors. After a presentation to The Wildlife Society at Montana State University, the group offered its support as field volunteers for pressing issues; at the end of the year, we were in discussions about how to help with Senator Tester's Forest Jobs and Recreation Act. Our advertisement in Backpacker Magazine led to more than 100 people seeking more information specifically about GYC through the magazine.
- Our revamped web site went live in the summer. The website highlights our main conservation initiatives and offers members and supporters many opportunities to engage with GYC.
- On the publications side, we continued to produce four quarterly newsletters and the annual *People* publication. The newsletter was redesigned and renamed the *Advocate*. The *Advocate* continues to be our primary source of news and information about Greater Yellowstone and GYC. Our themes for the year were phosphate mining, reclamation at the New World Mine site, our victories with the Snake River headwaters and Wyoming Range and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1988 fires.
- Media was a heavy emphasis during 2009, with no fewer than 200 documented

appearances by GYC staff in regional and national media during the year. They range from quotes in stories to op-eds that appeared throughout the ecosystem. Though fewer and fewer newspapers and TV stations have environmental reporters, our persistent efforts to connect with the region's media either in person, via e-mail or through phone calls have moved GYC closer to becoming the go-to organization for all conservation issues related to Greater Yellowstone. Rare is the issue were we aren't at least asked for our thoughts or background. Newspapers throughout the region consistently run our op-eds, in part because of our credibility on issues. We also were part of a regular rotation of conservation writers in the Bozeman Daily Chronicle and have secured space every two weeks in the Idaho State Journal in Pocatello. Efforts to expand our reach have led to interviews from the Los Angeles Times, New York Times and USA Today, among other national outlets.

- Greater Yellowstone Coalition held its 26th Annual Meeting at Jackson Lake Lodge in Jackson Hole, Wyoming on June 11-June 13. The theme of the meeting was *On the Move: From Parks to Prairies*. The event was attended by approximately 300 people throughout the weekend. The focus of the meeting was migration, including the migration of wildlife in the ecosystem and the history of human migrations in the area. GYC hosted an array of speakers including the Superintendent of Grand Teton National Park, Mary Gibson Scott, renowned scientist, Dr. Robert B. Smith, and our Keynote Speaker, author Alexandra Fuller, who spoke of the human cost of the extractive industries in the West. Round table discussions were held on Saturday morning, June 13, with topics including: migration of specific species; migration along the Beartooth Front; westward migration; and other varied topics regarding the ecosystem. Field trips were offered both June 12 and 13, offering a variety of hikes, visits to historic sites, and scenic guided lake cruises and float trips. A silent auction was held, ending on the evening of June 13. Items were donated by business members and others who share in GYC's vision. The silent auction brought in \$12,950.

OUTREACH / EDUCATION EVENTS AND SERVICE PROJECTS also included:

**Location:** Mammoth Hot Springs, YNP

**Date:** October 3, 2008

**Description:** GYC hosted its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary gathering at Mammoth Hot Springs on October 3, 2008. Gary Ferguson, local author and naturalist gave the keynote address and discussed the role of nature in the lives of humans.

**Location:** Jackson Hole, WY

**Date:** October 7, 2008

**Description:** GYC hosted 'Drift', a fly fishing movie on October 7 in Jackson, attended by over 400 people. Topics of discussion were river conservation, mainly on the Snake River and the Yellowstone.

**Location:** Colorado Springs, CO

**Date:** October 28, 2008

**Description:** GYC staff spoke at Colorado College to more than 150 community members, faculty and students about bison in Yellowstone National Park. The presentation was titled "Yellowstone Bison: Pests or National Icons." It informed attendees about the various challenges we face when protecting a wild animal that is often treated like domestic livestock. Bison are the one animal that has limited freedom when leaving the park boundaries in search of food. GYC explained how conservation organizations work with regional and national governments and citizens to try and create successful solutions for the animals who call Yellowstone home.

**Location:** Cody, WY

**Date:** December 18, 2008

**Description:** GYC's Cody office assembled a public forum on energy development in Park County, WY. Speakers at the forum discussed how energy development has affected tourism and quality of life in other parts of Wyoming, particularly Sublette County, and how similar development could affect Park County. About 130 people attended including County Commissioners, State representatives, BLM and Forest Service employees, and members of the general public.

**Location:** Chevy Chase, MD

**Date:** February 5, 2009

**Description:** GYC members hosted an outreach event with Audubon in Chevy Chase, Maryland. 60 people attended and topics of discussion were winter use in Yellowstone National Parks; the plight of Yellowstone's bison; the status of wolves in Greater Yellowstone; and phosphate mining in southeast Idaho.

**Location:** Lamar Valley, Yellowstone National Park

**Date:** Feb 17-20, 2009

**Description:** GYC hosted 26 guests at the Lamar Valley Yellowstone Institute. Members were treated to guided wildlife viewing, presentations by wildlife experts and experts in other related fields. Guests were also able to ski or snow shoe in Lamar Valley and experience Yellowstone in winter. Greater Yellowstone Coalition staff gave a presentation on critical issues facing the ecosystem and answered questions from the group.

**Location:** Eugene, OR

**Date:** April 21, 2009

**Description:** GYC staff led a workshop at the Oregon State Tourism Conference. The 50 people who attended the workshop learned more about the unique Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem and the way in which it lends itself to economic vitality for three Western states. Additionally, participants benefited in learning various

ways GYC engages local citizens to help conserve the land, water and wildlife found within the ecosystem.

**Location:** Pocatello, ID

**Date:** April 22, 2009

**Description:** GYC coordinated with Idaho State University's Outdoor Program to host the Wild & Scenic Environmental Film Festival. The event revolved around showing a number of environmentally-oriented films to encourage participation in GYC's work and the wider environmental movement as a whole. GYC also staffed a table in the theater lobby to provide information about Greater Yellowstone and the film festival itself. 54 GYC members and ISU students attended. Each gained a better understanding of GYC's work in the ecosystem as well as an opportunity to view films that represent a variety of real environmental issues nationwide that need attention and resolution.

**Location:** Cody, WY

**Date:** April 28, 2009

**Description:** The Cody office hosted a member roundtable to discuss GYC's ongoing work and how each member could become involved in Shoshone National Forest Planning and the Bighorn Basin Bureau of Land Management Resource Management Planning processes through activism and advocacy. 14 members attended.

**Location:** McCullough Peaks, Cody, WY

**Date:** May 2, 2009

**Description:** A GYC staff member led a hike to the McCullough Peaks area. The group visited the site of proposed oil and gas drilling and discussed wildlife and water issues. Members who participated were provided with information to contact decision-makers with their opinions on the proposal.

**Location:** Longfellow Elementary School, Bozeman, MT

**Date:** May 4 & Sept. 14, 2009

**Description:** A GYC staff member gave a slide-show presentation to fourth graders who have spent the year studying Yellowstone. The students were given an overview of the issues facing the ecosystem and what to look for during an upcoming trip to the park.

**Location:** New Canaan, CT

**Date:** May 7, 2009

**Description:** GYC Staff met with GYC members and Connecticut residents to discuss the latest victories and continuing issues related to the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Each attendee came away with a better understanding of the world's first national park and the complex issues related to protecting such a

unique place. The meeting also allowed participants to help GYC brainstorm ideas for long-term solutions for Yellowstone. Twelve people attended.

**Location:** Salt Lake City, UT

**Date:** May 14, 2009

**Description:** Black Diamond hosted a GYC member event at Black Diamond in Salt Lake City. Former GYC Executive Director, Rick Reese, and two GYC staff members attended both the informational brownbag at Black Diamond during the day and a reception that evening. Approximately 90 people attended the evening event. Topics included river issues in Greater Yellowstone, phosphate mining in Idaho, wolves in Yellowstone and the plight of Yellowstone's bison.

**Location:** B Bar Ranch, MT

**Date:** May 14-17, 2009

**Description:** GYC hosted thirteen members and guests at the privately owned B Bar Ranch for two days of wildlife watching in Yellowstone National Park and surrounding areas. Presentations were given by Doug Smith of the Yellowstone Wolf Project; Bob Landis, award-winning cinematographer; and by GYC staff. The main issues discussed were the status of Yellowstone's wolves and bison. Members were shown the area of public land that would become available to bison once an easement through the Royal Teton Ranch is complete.

**Location:** Belvedere, CA

**Date:** May 20, 2009

**Description:** GYC Staff gave an informative presentation to 30 California residents who have an interest in helping protect the world's first national park. The presentation informed them about critical issues facing Greater Yellowstone. Discussion ensued about bison, winter use in the National Parks, the effects of climate change, and wolves. Each attendee learned how to write various decision makers at the national level to make the right decisions for the long-term vitality of the Parks.

**Location:** Sun Ranch, Madison Valley, MT

**Date:** June 6 & June 26, 2009

**Description:** GYC staff members, GYC members, and members of the public met at the Sun Ranch and hung fladry, which is flagging that deters wolves from crossing a fence and getting near cattle. The activity was both on-the-ground progress to decrease conflicts between wolves and cattle, and it was an opportunity to educate those attending on the issues facing ranchers in the west since the reintroduction of wolves.

**Location:** Schuler Books, Okemos, MI

**Date:** June 17, 2009

**Description:** A GYC staff member gave a slide-show presentation about Greater Yellowstone issues to about 25 attendees. The event gave residents of the Upper Midwest a clear picture that while protected, our National Parks still face threats.

**Location:** Idaho Falls, ID

**Date:** June 27 & 28

**Description:** GYC staff led an 'Adopt a Trail' project at Deer Creek in Idaho. Members worked on trail restoration and learned about watershed issues facing southeast Idaho.

**Location:** Yellowstone National Park

**Date:** July 2, 9, 11, 12 & 25, 2009

**Description:** A GYC staff member tabled at the general stores at Mammoth, Grant, Old Faithful (twice) and Fishing Bridge, where he distributed the Advocate newsletter to more than 200 people. Visitors from across the country were exposed to GYC, the issues of Greater Yellowstone and our efforts to protect habitat for the wildlife in and out of the park.

**Location:** Bozeman, MT

**Date:** July 29, 2009

**Description:** GYC members gathered to meet incoming Executive Director, Mike Clark. 75 people attended this evening picnic. Mike Clark spoke to the crowd and discussed issues such as Senator Tester's bill introducing wilderness areas to Montana; the plight of Yellowstone's bison and winter use among others. Clark discussed GYC's role in finding solutions to many of these issues.

**Location:** Cody, WY

**Date:** August 6, 2009

**Description:** GYC hosted a reception for the WY Game and Fish Commission. 45 to 50 people attended. G&F staff, GYC members, and the general public attended. A GYC staff member gave a presentation about working with the G&F Commission on important conservation issues dealing with land and wildlife conservation.

**Location:** Cody, WY

**Date:** August 7

**Description:** GYC members gathered for a summer picnic at a GYC member's home. 40 people attended and GYC staff discussed issues facing Wyoming, including the oil and gas proposals near the McCullough Peaks, and the fate of grizzly bears and wolves.

**Location:** Jackson, WY

**Date:** August 20, 2009

**Description:** GYC teamed with the Jackson Hole Wildlife Foundation to put on an evening presentation called "*Celebrate Coexisting with Bears*" to inform area residents about how best to coexist with bears. The presentation also discussed ways to decrease bear mortality during hunting season. 30 people attended this information session.

**Location:** Cody, WY

**Date:** August 20, 2009

**Description:** Nearly 40 members from around Cody gathered at a member's home to discuss current issues facing the ecosystem and meet GYC's Executive Director Mike Clark. Discussion centered around oil and gas developments in Wyoming as well as a long-term goal of protecting additional wilderness. Members also learned how they could help be a part of an advocacy effort statewide to ensure Wyoming protects itself from oil and gas development in pristine places.

**Location:** Idaho Falls, ID

**Date:** August 20, 2009

**Description:** GYC held its annual member picnic at a member's home in Idaho Falls. Members gathered to eat and discuss issues pertaining to the Idaho portion of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Discussion ensued about wolves, bison, and the troubling effects of phosphate mining and how to solve these complex issues. 36 people attended the gathering.

**Location:** Jackson, WY

**Date:** August 21, 2009

**Description:** GYC staff organized a group of volunteers to close two OHV routes on the Bridger-Teton Forest east of Grand Teton National Park. The trail closure was part of the implementation of the new Summer OHV Travel Plan on the northern BTNF which better protects some 256,000 acres of wildlife habitat. 13 volunteers attended and installed log water bars across the closed routes, transplanted plants, placed logs, limbs, and rocks in the gullies and constructed barriers and put up signs. This area is renowned for wolf and grizzly habitat, moose and elk parturition, wildlife migrations, and excellent hunting and other recreation.

**Location:** Spokane, WA

**Date:** August 29, 2009

**Description:** A GYC staff member spoke to a group of about 50 at an outdoor club function and shared the Snake River Headwaters and Wyoming Range legacy act successes. These conservationists from across the West were able to learn more about issues in Greater Yellowstone and how GYC is facing them.

**Location:** Casper, WY; Jackson Hole, WY

**Dates:** September 10-12

**Description:** GYC staff tabled at the Hunting and Fishing Expo, in Casper, WY on Sept 10-12. GYC staff members provided information on wildlife issues facing Greater Yellowstone and took questions from participants. GYC staff also tabled at the Old Bill's Fun Run Charity in Jackson Hole, WY on Sept 12. Members of the public were able to pick up information provided about GYC. 200 people stopped at the booth to chat, ask questions or to pick up information.

**Location:** Pocatello, ID

**Date:** September 13, 2009

**Description:** GYC staff and tabled at a climbing event called the Pocatello Pump; which happens to be the country's longest running climbing competition. Roughly 40 visitors from around the region (Idaho and Utah) visited the GYC booth to learn more about bison and wolves in Greater Yellowstone and how young people can get involved in helping protect the world's first national park.

**Location:** Billings, MT

**Date:** September 23

**Description:** GYC members hosted a gathering at their home. Mike Clark, GYC's Executive Director, discussed water issues, grizzly bears, and phosphate mining. GYC staff, Barb Cestero, then gave an informative presentation on Senator Tester's Forest Jobs and Recreation Act. 25 people attended this event and were able to pick up information on issues and ask questions.

## **GENERAL PROGRAMS - \$91,829**

This represents costs shared for all programs, including conservation program planning, and some office, equipment and supply costs.