RMC HOSTS LECTURE SERIES ON LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVES OF CLIMATE CHANGE, LAND USE IN GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM

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BILLINGS – Rocky Mountain College will host an environmental lecture series focusing on long-term climate change and land use impacts on the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem April 12 and April 18. The lectures, to be held in Fortin Education Center Auditorium, are free and open to the public.

Stephen T. Gray, director, Alaska Climate Science Center, DOI/US Geological Survey, will present the April 12 lecture, at 7:30 p.m. His theme is “Long-Term Perspectives on Climate Change and Ecological Impacts in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.

Earlier that day, at 3 p.m., in Morledge-Kimball 225, Gray, now at the USGS Climate Center in Anchorage, will present a seminar hosted by Kayhan Ostover, RMC assistant professor of biology and environmental science, on climate change and wildlife management issues.

Andrew Hansen, Montana State University professor in the ecology department and director of the Landscape Biodiversity Lab, will present the April 18 lecture, “Land Use Change in Greater Yellowstone.” That lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m., in Fortin Education Center Auditorium.

Earlier that day, at 3:30 p.m., in Morledge-Kimball 125, Hansen will participate in Luke Ward’s class discussion of the first couple chapters of Jared Diamond’s “Collapse.” Ward is an RMC visiting assistant professor, environmental science.

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