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Montana Natural History Center Receives \$2,500 Plum Creek Foundation Grant

MISSOULA, Mont. – The Plum Creek Foundation recently awarded a \$2,500 grant to the Montana Natural History Center, based in Missoula, which will help maintain transportation for the Center’s traveling nature programs.

The Montana Natural History Center provides outdoor science experiences to area schools and community members. The Center operates several field programs, including a Visiting Naturalist in the Schools program, Summer Science Discovery Camps and Saturday Discovery Days in which the Center travels to give students first-hand opportunities to learn about nature. The Montana Natural History Center strives to provide guided opportunities for kids, families and adults to become knowledgeable citizens of the natural world.

“We appreciate this generous grant from the Plum Creek Foundation and look forward to teaching our area youth about the importance of nature and its resources,” said Arnold Olsen, executive director of the Montana Natural History Center. “Our children must be exposed to the outdoors while they are young so that they may appreciate it in the future.”

The mission of the Plum Creek Foundation is to provide philanthropic contributions to support and improve the general welfare of life in the communities that Plum Creek serves. The Foundation board meets quarterly to review applications submitted from organizations in the company’s operating communities. Visit the Community Involvement page on Plum Creek’s Web site at www.plumcreek.com to download an application.

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