

Director's Awards

Francis Singer, Research Ecologist at Yellowstone NP, and David Haskell, Chief of the Resources and Science Division at Shenandoah NP, are the recipients of the second annual Science and Natural Resource Management awards, instituted in 1989 by NPS Director James M. Ridenour.

Singer is being honored for research contributions to natural resource management issues at Yellowstone, particularly his ungulate work. He has conducted, supervised, and directed significant research on the ungulate prey base for potential reintroduction of the gray wolf at Yellowstone, elk winter kills after the 1988 Yellowstone fire, and effects of native ungulate browsing on Yellowstone's northern range.

Haskell is recognized for his leadership in a 6-year effort to implement a long-term environmental monitoring program at Shenandoah. He has obtained continued park and regional management and fiscal support, worked effectively with university scientists to design the program, hired high quality staff, and integrated his staff and program into park operations for long-term program viability.

The awards were scheduled for formal presentation at the September Regional Directors' meeting.