MOUNTAIN PROTECTED AREAS UPDATE

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The Way to Understanding

Within and around these mountains,

Your good fortune will be returned to you.

Within and around these mountains,

Your peace will be returned to you.

Within and around these mountains,

Your freedom will be returned to you.

Within and around these mountains,

Your beauty will be returned to you.

All things return to those

Who pray for understanding.

All things depart from those

With anger in their hearts.

Nancy Wood, from "Spirit Walker", 1993

High Elevation Action

A Working Group on High Elevation Grasslands is being established under WCPA's Grasslands Protected Areas Task Force, which is headed by Bill Henwood of Parks Canada's Park Establishment Branch. Bill recently was successful in obtaining a substantial J. M. Kaplan Fund grant for conservation activity in the world's temperate grasslands. Major focus initially is on the contiguous grasslands of Mongolia, China and Russia, and temperate zone South America. High elevation grassland workers can reach him at bill.henwood@pc.qc.ca.

For those engaged in rehabilitation of alpine areas, high altitude restoration pioneer Roger Good has recently produced The Australian Alps Rehabilitation Manual. It provides concepts, principles and guidelines for managers. Available from Gil Anderson ganderso@parks.vic.gov.au.

¹ Names of Mountain Protected Areas Network members are shown in italics.