



COOPERATIVE ECOSYSTEM STUDIES UNITS
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Fact Sheet: Network Partners by CESU



The Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units (CESU) Network is a national consortium of federal agencies, academic institutions, tribal, state, and local governments, nongovernmental conservation organizations, and other partners working together to support informed public trust resource stewardship. The seventeen CESUs bring together scientists, resource managers, students, and other conservation professionals, drawing upon expertise from across the biological, physical, social, cultural, and engineering disciplines (from Anthropology to Zoology) to conduct collaborative and interdisciplinary applied projects that address natural and cultural heritage resource issues at multiple scales and in an ecosystem context. Each CESU is structured as a working collaborative with participation from numerous federal and nonfederal institutional partners. CESUs are based at host universities and focused on a particular biogeographic region of the country.

Federal Partners by Unit



	Bureau of Indian Affairs	Bureau of Land Management	Bureau of Reclamation	National Park Service	U.S. Geological Survey	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management	Agricultural Research Service	Farm Service Agency	U.S. Forest Service	Natural Resources Conservation Service	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Department of Defense (Installations and Environment)	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Californian	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■
Chesapeake Watershed		■		■	■	■				■	■	■	■	■	
Colorado Plateau	■	■	■	■	■	■				■	■	■	■		
Desert Southwest	■	■	■	■	■	■				■	■	■	■		
Great Basin	■	■	■	■	■	■		■		■	■		■		
Great Lakes-Northern Forest		■		■	■	■				■	■	■	■		■
Great Plains	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	
Great Rivers		■		■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■		
Gulf Coast	■	■		■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■
Hawaii-Pacific Islands		■		■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	
North and West Alaska		■		■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	
North Atlantic Coast	■			■	■	■	■				■	■	■	■	
Pacific Northwest	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	
Piedmont-South Atlantic Coast		■		■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	
Rocky Mountains		■	■	■	■	■				■	■	■	■		
Southern Appalachian Mtns.	■	■		■	■	■				■	■	■	■		
South Florida-Caribbean	■	■		■	■	■					■	■	■	■	



How Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units Work

CESU Network National Council

The Council is comprised of representatives from the fifteen federal agencies participating in the Network.

CESU Network National Coordinator and Staff

Six DOI bureaus support the CESU Network national office and staff, who are housed administratively within NPS headquarters.

Agency Administrators

Federal agencies maintain administrative oversight of the CESUs at the regional or headquarters level.

Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units

There are seventeen units with federal and nonfederal partners; a university hosts each CESU.

CESU Executive Committee

Federal agency representatives at the local level set strategic goals for each CESU.

CESU Directors

The host university provides a director and administrative support to the CESU.

CESU Technical and Financial Contacts

Every partner designates at least one person to represent it in the affairs of the CESU.

CESU Federal Research Coordinators

Agencies may assign staff to coordinate administration on the agency's behalf.

Project Officials

Federal and nonfederal partners at the field level complete projects.

■ **Californian CESU**

California Assoc. for Resource Cons. Districts
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
California Invasive Plant Council
California Polytechnic State University
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
California State University, Channel Islands
California State University, Chico
California State University, Fresno
California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Los Angeles
California State University, Monterey Bay
California State University, Northridge
California State University, Sacramento
California State University, Stanislaus
Carnegie Mellon University
Humboldt State University
Institute for Bird Populations
Institute for Wildlife Studies
Occidental College
Point Blue Conservation Science
San Bernardino County Museum
San Diego Natural History Museum
San Diego State University
San Diego Zoo
San Francisco State University
Santa Barbara Botanic Garden
*University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
White Mountain Research Station

■ **Chesapeake Watershed CESU**

American Bird Conservancy
American University
Anne Arundel Community College
Christopher Newport University
College of William and Mary
Delaware State University
Frostburg State University
Garrett College
George Mason University
George Washington University
Howard University
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
James Madison University
National Aquarium in Baltimore
Pennsylvania State University
Shippensburg University
The Academy of Natural Sciences
University of Delaware
University of the District of Columbia
*University System of Maryland
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
University of Maryland, Center for Env. Science
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Mary Washington
University of Richmond
University of Virginia
Virginia Commonwealth University
Va. Dept. of Cons. Rec. Div. of Natural Heritage
Virginia Institute of Marine Science
Western Pennsylvania Conservancy

■ **Colorado Plateau CESU**

Navajo Nation
The Arboretum at Flagstaff
Archaeology Southwest
Arizona State University
Bird Conservancy of the Rockies
Colorado Mesa University
Colorado State University
Conservation Science Partners

Crow Canyon Archaeological Center
Desert Research Institute
Diné College
Dixie State University
Fort Lewis College
Institute for Bird Populations
Museum of Northern Arizona
New Mexico State University
*Northern Arizona University
Oregon State University
Prescott College
Southern Utah University
University of Arizona
University of Cincinnati
University of Nevada, Reno
University of New Mexico
University of Pennsylvania
University of Texas, San Antonio
University of Utah
Utah State University
Utah Valley University
Weber State University

■ **Desert Southwest CESU**

Archaeology Southwest
Arizona Game and Fish Department
Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum
Bird Conservancy of the Rockies
Cornerstones Community Partnerships
CyArk
Howard University
New Mexico State University
Northern Arizona University
Organization of American Historians
Pima County
Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden
Sky Island Alliance
Sonoran Institute
Texas State University, San Marcos
The Nature Conservancy
Universidad de Sonora
*University of Arizona
University of Texas, Arlington
University of Texas, El Paso
University of Utah
Western National Parks Association

■ **Great Basin CESU**

Ball State University
Boise State University
Brigham Young University
Desert Research Institute
Great Basin College
HawkWatch International, Inc.
Idaho State University
Oregon State University
Texas A&M University, Kingsville
University of Idaho
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
*University of Nevada, Reno
University of Utah
Utah State University

■ **Great Lakes-Northern Forest CESU**

American Indian Science and Eng. Society
Antioch University New England
Ball State University
Central Michigan University
Cleveland State University
Chicago Botanic Garden
Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College
George Wright Society
Grand Valley State University
Great Lakes Commission
Great Lakes Forest Alliance
Hamline University
Indiana State University
Indiana University
Kent State University

Michigan State University
Michigan Technological University
Midwest Art Conservation Center
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
Minnesota State University, Mankato
Nat'l. Council for Air and Stream Improvement
Northland College
Northern Illinois University
Northern Michigan University
Purdue University
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
Science Museum of Minnesota
Southern University and A&M College
Stephen F. Austin State University
SUNY, The College at Brockport
SUNY, College of Envl. Science and Forestry
The Ohio State University
University of Iowa
*University of Minnesota
University of Notre Dame
University of Toledo
University of Vermont
University of Wisconsin, La Crosse
University of Wisconsin, Madison
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
West Virginia University
Wildlife Conservation Society

■ **Great Plains CESU**

Black Hills State University
Colorado State University
Emporia State University
Kansas State University
Langston University
New Mexico Highlands University
North Dakota State University
Oklahoma State University
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
South Dakota State University
Texas Tech University
*University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Univ. Neb. Medical Ctr. College of Public Health
University of North Dakota
University of Oklahoma
University of South Dakota
University of Wyoming
Winona State University
World Wildlife Fund Northern Great Plains

■ **Great Rivers CESU**

Audubon of Missouri
Audubon of Mississippi River Initiative
Conservation Federation of Missouri
Drake University
Iowa State University
Lincoln University
Missouri Botanical Garden
Missouri State University
National Great Rivers Research and Ed. Center
National Mississippi River Museum
St. Mary's University of Minnesota
Southeast Missouri State University
Southern Illinois University
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
University of Iowa
University of Kansas
University of Memphis
*University of Missouri
University of Notre Dame
Winona State University

■ **Gulf Coast CESU**

Auburn University
Bat Conservation International
Columbus State University
Dauphin Island Sea Lab
Florida State University
Gulf Coast Bird Observatory
Houston Advanced Research Center

Lamar University
 Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
 Louisiana State University
 Louisiana State University Agricultural Center
 Mississippi State University
 Southern University and A&M College
 Stephen F. Austin State University
 Sul Ross State University
 Tarleton State University
 * Texas A&M University, AgriLife Research
 Texas A&M University, AgriLife Extension
 Texas A&M University, College Station
 Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi
 Texas A&M University, Galveston
 Texas A&M University, Kingsville
 The Nature Conservancy
 The University of Alabama
 Tulane University
 Troy University
 University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture
 University of Arkansas, Monticello
 University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff
 University of Central Florida
 University of Florida
 University of Georgia
 University of Louisiana, Lafayette
 University of Mississippi
 University of New Orleans
 University of South Alabama
 University of South Florida
 University of Texas, Austin
 University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley
 University of Texas, Tyler
 University of West Florida
 Valdosta State University

■ **Hawaii-Pacific Islands CESU**

American Samoa Community College
 Bishop Museum
 Hawaii Community College
 Honolulu Community College
 Island Conservation
 Kapiolani Community College
 Kauai Community College
 Leeward Community College
 Maui Community College
 National Tropical Botanical Garden
 The Nature Conservancy
 Pacific Intl. Cntr. for High Technology Research
 University of California, Berkeley
 University of Guam
 * University of Hawaii, Hilo
 University of Hawaii, Mano
 University of Hawaii, West Oahu
 University of Redlands
 Windward Community College

■ **North and West Alaska CESU**

Alaska Geographic
 Alaska Pacific University
 Alaska SeaLife Center
 Idaho State University
 Manomet Center for Conservation Services
 Montana State University
 Sitka Sound Science Center
 University of Alaska, Anchorage
 * University of Alaska, Fairbanks
 University of Alaska, Southeast
 University of New Hampshire
 Wildlife Conservation Society

■ **North Atlantic Coast CESU**

Narragansett Indian Tribal Historic Preservation
 Office on behalf of the Narragansett Indian Tribe
 Bates College

Biodiversity Research Institute
 City University of New York
 College of the Atlantic
 Columbia University
 Cornell University
 Harvard University
 Manhattan College
 Marine Biological Laboratory
 Maryland Coastal Bays Program
 Northeastern University
 Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies
 Rutgers University
 Schoodic Ed. and Research Center Institute
 State University of New York
 SUNY, Stony Brook University
 University of Connecticut
 University of Maine
 University of Maryland Ctr. for Env. Science
 University of Maryland, Eastern Shore
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst
 University of Massachusetts, Boston
 University of New England
 * University of Rhode Island
 Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center

■ **Pacific Northwest CESU**

Alaska Department of Fish and Game
 Central Washington University
 Eastern Washington University
 Heritage University
 Oregon Institute of Technology
 Oregon State University
 Portland State University
 St. Mary's University of Minnesota
 Southern Oregon University
 University of British Columbia
 University of Idaho
 University of Oregon
 * University of Washington
 University of Alaska, Anchorage
 University of Alaska, Southeast
 University of Vermont
 Washington State University
 Western Washington University

■ **Piedmont South Atlantic Coast CESU**

Amphibian and Reptile Conservancy
 Auburn University
 Audubon of Florida
 Audubon of North Carolina
 Audubon of South Carolina
 Christopher Newport University
 Clemson University
 College of Charleston
 Duke University
 East Carolina University
 Florida A&M University
 Georgia DNR Wildlife Resources
 Ga. Inst. of Tech./Ga. Tech Research Institute
 Georgia Southern University
 Marshall University
 National Wildlife Federation
 North Carolina State University
 The Citadel
 The Orriane Society
 Towson University
 University of Central Florida
 University of Florida
 * University of Georgia
 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
 University of North Carolina, Wilmington
 University of North Florida
 University of South Carolina
 University of South Florida
 University of West Georgia

■ **Rocky Mountains CESU**

Blackfeet Community College
 Boise State University
 Chief Dull Knife College
 Colorado State University
 Little Big Horn College
 Metropolitan State University of Denver
 Montana State University
 Northwest College
 Salish Kootenai College
 University of Calgary
 University of Colorado, Boulder
 University of Colorado, Denver
 University of Idaho
 * University of Montana, Missoula
 University of Northern Colorado
 University of Utah
 University of Waterloo
 University of Wyoming
 Utah State University
 Washington State University
 Western State Colorado University
 Wildlife Conservation Society

■ **Southern Appalachian Mountains CESU**

Appalachian State University
 Austin Peay State University
 Discover Life in America
 East Tennessee State University
 Florida A&M University
 Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Env.
 Jacksonville State University
 Lincoln Memorial University
 Marshall University
 Middle Tennessee State University
 Southern Appalachian Man and the Biosphere
 Tennessee Aquarium Conservation Institute
 Tennessee State University
 Tennessee Technological University
 The University of the South
 University of Kentucky
 University of North Carolina, Asheville
 * University of Tennessee
 Virginia Polytechnic and State University
 Western Carolina University
 Western Kentucky University

■ **South Florida-Caribbean CESU**

Audubon of Florida
 Barry University
 Cetacean Logic Foundation
 Everglades Foundation
 Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
 Flagler College
 Florida Atlantic University
 Florida Gulf Coast University
 Florida Institute of Technology
 Florida International University
 Institute for Regional Conservation
 Nova Southeastern University
 Ocean Research and Conservation Association
 University of Florida
 * University of Miami
 University of North Carolina, Wilmington
 University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez
 University of South Florida
 University of the Virgin Islands

* designates host university

