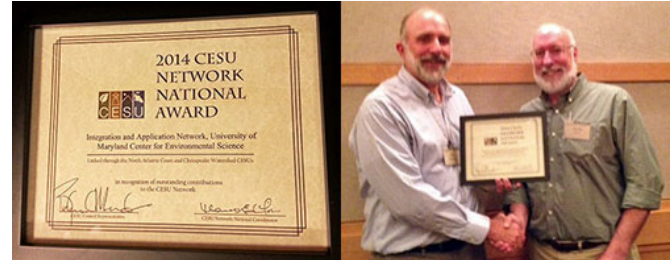


## 2016 CESU Network National Awards

### Call for Nominations



The CESU Network National Awards recognize individuals, groups of individuals, institutions, and/or projects within the CESU Network that have contributed substantially to the development, implementation, or accomplishments of the CESU Network. Awards highlight the collaborative structure of CESUs and reflect the achievements of federal and nonfederal partners working together. Awards will be announced and presented at the CESU Network National Meeting.

### Eligibility

Any representative of a CESU Network partner organization (federal or nonfederal) is eligible for a CESU Network National Award. Nominations can represent any of the following categories:

- An individual – e.g., student, faculty, staff, administrator, unit or program manager
- A group of individuals
- One or more CESU-affiliated institutions
- One or more CESU projects

### Award Criteria

Awards recognize the collaborative structure of CESUs, and reflect the achievement of federal and nonfederal partners working together. The criteria used to select recipients are intended to be broad and flexible, reflecting the range of activities involved in the CESU concept, and fall into one or more of the following general categories:

- Significant contribution to the development of the CESU concept and/or CESU Network.
- Innovative use of the CESU Network through development of new and valuable collaboration.
- Application of CESU-affiliated research, technical assistance, and education efforts or outputs to inform decision-making or stewardship activities.

## **Nomination Procedure**

Any federal or nonfederal representative of a CESU partner organization may submit an award nomination. A complete award nomination package must include all of the required elements listed below. Nomination packages must be submitted via email to the CESU Network National Office (c/o [Tom\\_Fish@nps.gov](mailto:Tom_Fish@nps.gov)) and include “2016 CESU Award” in the subject line. The deadline for submissions is **Tuesday, 31 May 2016**.

### ***Award Nominations – Required Information***

1. Name, title, and affiliation of nominee(s), including full contact information (mailing address, phone number, email address).
2. Brief description (less than 500 words) of accomplishment in terms one or more of the following:
  - Significant contribution to the development of the CESU concept and/or CESU Network.
  - Innovative use of the CESU Network through development of new and valuable collaboration.
  - Application of CESU-affiliated research, technical assistance, and education efforts or outputs to inform decision-making or stewardship activities.
3. Names and contact information for two references knowledgeable about the accomplishment, but not nominated for the award.
4. Name, title, and affiliation of nominator, including full contact information (mailing address, phone number, email address).

Note: Nomination packages may include supporting materials, such as published papers, reports, photographs, or other pertinent documentation, as appropriate.

### **Evaluation and Selection Process**

All nominations will be reviewed and evaluated by a subcommittee of the CESU Network Council. The subcommittee will select the finalists for consideration by the Council. The CESU Council will select and announce the National Award winners in advance of the CESU Network National Meeting in June 2016. Each CESU Network National Award will include a letter of recognition and framed certificate from the CESU Network Council.

### **Questions?**

Contact the CESU Network National Office with any related questions.