

**SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS  
COOPERATIVE ECOSYSTEM STUDIES UNIT**

**AMENDMENT ONE TO  
COOPERATIVE and JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT**

**between**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Bureau of Land Management  
National Park Service  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
U.S. Geological Survey**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
U.S. Forest Service  
Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense  
for Energy, Installations, and Environment  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers–Civil Works**

**and**

**UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE (HOST)**

**Appalachian State University  
Austin Peay State University  
East Tennessee State University  
Florida A&M University  
Jacksonville State University  
Lincoln Memorial University  
Marshall University  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Ohio University  
Sewanee–The University of the South  
Tennessee State University  
Tennessee Technological University  
University of Kentucky  
University of North Carolina Asheville  
University of Tennessee at Martin**

**Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Washington and Lee University  
West Virginia University  
Western Carolina University  
Western Kentucky University  
Discover Life in America  
Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment  
Southern Appalachian Man and the Biosphere  
Tennessee Aquarium Conservation Institute**

With the exception of the changes below, all terms and conditions of the Southern Appalachian Mountains CESU Agreement apply to this Amendment, and this Amendment is hereby made part of the Agreement.

**ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF WORK**

D.0. Section D.8. is hereby deleted in its entirety.

**ARTICLE III. TERM OF AGREEMENT**

- A.1. The effective date of the Southern Appalachian Mountains CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement is 19 June 2024.
- A.2. The effective date of this Amendment to the Southern Appalachian Mountains CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement shall be determined from the date of the last signature to this Amendment.

**ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES**

Per Article III. C., the following authorizing signatures are attached:

- C. National Park Service
- J. UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE (HOST)

## ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

C. National Park Service

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Mark A. Foust  
Regional Director  
NPS Southeast Region / Interior Region 2

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Date

**KEITH ZOTTI** Digitally signed by KEITH ZOTTI  
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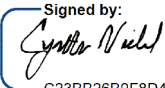
Keith A. Zotti  
Branch Chief, CESU FA East

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Date

## ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

J. UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE (HOST)

Signed by:  


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Cynthia L. Nichols  
Chief Budget Officer and Budget Director  
UT AgResearch

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