The Great Plains-CESU would like to welcome two new staff members: Dr. Tanya Shenk & Kat Krutak-Bickert.

Dr. Shenk joined the Great Plains-CESU in February 2015 and is working as the Research Coordinator for the National Park Service. Shenk has been a landscape ecologist with the National Park Service in Fort Collins, Colorado since 2010. Her previous work focused on fragmentation and climate change issues that relate to conservation of wildlife.

Kat Krutak-Bickert joined us in August 2015 and is working as the Program Coordinator for the Great Plains-CESU. Kat earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Great Plains Studies and Anthropology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 2013. Kat previously worked with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the Omaha Language Program, working with a team to develop a textbook and online dictionary.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) is excited to announce that it will continue to host the Great Plains-CESU for the next five years. Each CESU exists under a Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement, signed by all federal and non-federal partners, that is good for 5 years. The 2010 agreement for the Great Plains-CESU ends in 2015. Our office prepared a self-assessment for the CESU Council at the national level, which is available in the ‘newsroom’ on our web page. The CESU Council voted to renew the Great Plains-CESU’s funding agreement with UNL as the host during October 2015-October 2020. We look forward to facilitating projects that impact the Great Plains during the next 5 years!

Federal Partners: Advertise a project to our Academic and NGO Partners by sending a Request for Statements of Interest to Kat Krutak-Bickert at kbickert2@unl.edu
ACADEMIC PARTNER NEWS

Texas Tech University would like to welcome Dr. Sanjit Deb, Assistant Professor of Soil Physics.

Emporia State University would like to welcome Dr. David McKenzie and Dr. Alexis Powell, Assistant Professors in Biological Science.

If you have updates & would like to be included in our next issue, please send information to Kat Bickert at kbickert2@unl.edu

FEDERAL PARTNER NEWS

The CESU Network would like to welcome two new Federal Agencies: The Bureau of Indian Affairs and The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The United States has a unique legal and political relationship with Indian tribes and Alaska Native entities as provided by the Constitution of the United States, treaties, court decisions and Federal statutes. Within the government-to-government relationship, The Bureau of Indian Affairs provides services directly or through contracts, grants, or compacts to 566 Federally recognized tribes with a service population of about 1.9 million American Indian and Alaska Natives.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration roots date back to 1807, when the Nation’s first scientific agency, the Survey of the Coast, was established. Since then, NOAA has evolved to meet the needs of a changing country. NOAA maintains a presence in every state and has emerged as an international leader on scientific and environmental matters.

NEW WEBSITE!

Make sure to bookmark our newly updated website which you can find here:

http://gpcesu.unl.edu/