Current membership of the PNW CESU consists of 12 federal agencies dedicated to natural and cultural resource management and 18 leading academic institutions, two non-profits, one non-governmental organization, and one state agency.

### Federal Agencies
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)
- Department of Defense
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- National Park Service (NPS)
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- U.S. Forest Service (USFS) – Pacific Northwest Research Station
- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

### Partner Organizations

#### Universities
- University of Washington – Host University
- Central Washington University
- Eastern Washington University
- Heritage University
- Oregon Institute of Technology
- Oregon State University
- Portland State University
- Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota
- Seattle University
- Southern Oregon University
- University of Alaska Anchorage
- University of Alaska Southeast
- University of British Columbia
- University of Idaho
- University of Oregon
- University of Vermont and State Agriculture College
- Washington State University
- Western Washington University

#### State Agencies
- Alaska Department of Fish and Game

#### Non-Government Organizations
- Western Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies

#### Non-Profit Organizations
- Center for Natural Lands Management
- Institute for Applied Ecology
Brief Highlights of New Members:

1. The Center for Natural Lands Management non-profit joined PNW CESU May 2018 via Amendment 4

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The Center for Natural Lands Management (CNLM) is a nonprofit organization, dedicated to the protection and restoration of imperiled species and their habitats in the states of Washington and California. CNLM has a long track record of successful land management and restoration, protecting sensitive and imperiled species and their habitats through science-based land stewardship methods. CNLM is accredited by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, and independent program of the national Land Trust Alliance, reflecting CNLM’s commitment to rigorous conservation business practices.

The mission of the Center for Natural Lands Management is:

- To conserve native species, their habitat and functioning ecosystems in perpetuity;
- To own and/or manage lands in an ecologically beneficial manner consistent with local, state and federal environmental laws and with science-based stewardship;
- To promote the conservation values of such lands through education;
- To promote and facilitate uses of lands by the public that preserve the conservation values; and
- To cooperate with public and private entities in their efforts to protect native species and their habitats for the public benefit.

CNLM was founded in California in 1990 with the purpose of using science-based information to guide recovery and perpetual stewardship of ecosystems and their associated species. CNLM preserves protect federally listed and other rare plants and animals, all of which are vulnerable to random or cumulative impacts. We strive to manage imperiled species to ensure that even small populations have the best opportunity for long-term viability. Management on CNLM owned preserves’ focuses on perpetual stewardship - a dynamic process requiring constant monitoring, appropriate application of scientific principles, and periodic interventions that may include restoration or enhancement. Because there is often little scientific information for guidance for imperiled species and rare habitats, CNLM innovates as needed for perpetual species stewardship and effective habitat restoration. CNLM has more than 60,000 acres under management on 75 preserves. Our staff includes specialists with many areas of expertise, such as specific taxa, biological monitoring, prescribed burns, weed management, native plant propagation, and specific habitat restoration and stewardship. CNLM has been working in Washington since 2011, when it inherited a highly active, 20-year-old conservation program in the south Puget Sound region from The Nature Conservancy. This program conducts most of its work within regional collaborative conservation frameworks, which focus on development and implementation of restoration and rare species management plans and protocols. Partners range from federal and state agencies to nonprofit organizations, private landowners, and volunteers.
Based in Olympia, Washington, our program is mainly involved with restoration and protection of prairie, oak, pine and wetland/riparian habitats of the South Puget Sound region. We help coordinate and implement range-wide recovery activities for several federally listed animal and plant species. We are in the process of expanding into North Puget Sound’s San Juan Islands and Oregon’s Willamette Valley.

See www.cnlm.org and http://www.southsoundprairies.org/ for more information on CNLM.

2. The Institute for Applied Ecology non-profit joined the PNW CESU November 2018 via Amendment 5

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Key Research, Technical Assistance, and Education Strengths

IAE was founded in 1999 in Corvallis, Oregon, and our Southwest office was established in May 2015 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. IAE has a diverse and active staff with expertise in habitat management, research and experimental design, restoration, education, and planning. Our internship program, in partnership with the Native Plant Societies of Oregon and New Mexico, has expanded to include over five participants a year, with a total alumni in excess of fifty. Our work has been recognized through The Wildlife Society Oregon Chapter Conservation Award (2013), Federal Highways Administration Exemplary Ecosystem Initiative Award (2012), Oregon Recreation and Parks Association Natural Resource Section Environmental Organization Award (2007), and the West Eugene Wetlands Award (2004).

The mission of the Institute for Applied Ecology is to conserve native species and habitats through restoration, research and education. Our vision is a world where all people and wildlands are healthy and interact positively, biological diversity flourishes, and environmental challenges are met with a social commitment to solving problems with scientific principles. We provide a service to public and private agencies and individuals by developing and communicating information on ecosystems, species, and effective management strategies. We conduct restoration of habitats, and we conduct this work through partnerships with a diverse group of agencies, organizations and the private sector.

Action items for FY2019:

- Website maintenance: post funding announcements, events, completed project final reports, agency forms and other items useful for conducting agreements.
- Solicit and summarize project information.
- PNW CESU Annual meeting preparations.
- Prepare for 2020 - 2025 Renewal & Self-Assessment
- Process any new member applications as needed.
- Add new members to database and website menus.
- Produce and distribute newsletters; request approval from PIs and ATRs to subscribe.