CESU Directors Call
01-25-2022

* Virtual CESU National Meeting: Week of June 20th
	+ Form planning committee for that
	+ Separate meeting into a few hours over a few days
* Working Groups
	+ Diversity Equity and Inclusion – have meet a few times thus far
	+ Other non-active working groups – put together meetings to see if anything needs to be done for them
* National Office Budget
	+ FY2022 – Executed at end of February
	+ Submitting to Working Capital Consortium – program change request (asking for additional funding)
		- Asked last year for 2023 and asking this year for 2024
		- Not approved last year – would add an additional staff member
* Collaborative Opportunities
	+ Participation in Ecology+ - NSF funded and collaborations with ESA and a university
		- Bring in students and service mentors
		- Want to expand this to include regional hubs into this program and connect with the CESUs
			* Can reach students in the CESUs
		- Asking for funding for two CESU-fellows in the Ecology+ program
		- If funded it would start in September and run for 5 years
			* Post-graduate level positions
	+ FY2023 – International Belmont Forum
		- Across countries and organizations – develop research streams in human and environment topics
		- We can participate by providing funds or expertise
		- Collaborate on their public health and environment research
	+ Connection btw CESU and all-hazards response
		- Response protocol developed and supported by CESUs
		- CESU partners with resources could be added to response team list
			* Logistical and travel needs supported through CESU funding
		- SEER – similar organization
	+ CESU Program Evaluation Session
		- Want for student involvement and feedback
		- Project extended through the end of March
		- Be able to present on the sessions at the national meeting
	+ Add US Forest Service Systems in GLNF and Gulf Coast