

Rocky Mountains CESU Partnership Criteria for Non-Federal Applicants

An applicant for partnership in the RM-CESU will be evaluated using all the criteria listed below.

1. Mission and function

- Organization's mission is related to the RM-CESU mission: education, technical assistance, and research in resource management in the Rocky Mountains
- Primarily an educational and/or research institution and not a for-profit or political advocacy group
- Research capacity meets peer-review and/or applicable professional standards
- Demonstrated public purpose through involvement of students and community members in its work

2. Professional and administrative expertise

- Specialized expertise applicable to the RM-CESU
- Sufficient breadth of expertise to contribute at a variety of scales
- Demonstrated expertise in education, technical assistance, and/or research in resource management the Rocky Mountains region
- Demonstrated, effective administrative support structure including a procedure for addressing allegations of scientific or scholarly misconduct

3. Linkages to existing partners

- Existing linkages to RM-CESU federal partners
- Demonstrated benefit of applicant to existing partners (value added)