The Center for Landscape Dynamics at The Pennsylvania State University is seeking to support innovative activities by graduate students in the area of landscape dynamics. Thematic areas of interest include projects that address spatial and temporal dynamics of landscape change, with consideration of ecological and/or social factors. Support can be used for fieldwork, spatial analysis, modeling, and/or related activities (travel, conference participation, outreach, analysis). Implications for landscape management decision making is encouraged but not required. Total funding available is $5000, with anticipated awards of $500 to $1000 each, although superior proposals at higher levels will be considered. Awardees will be expected to present their work to the CLD community and share information about the project on the CLD website.

**Eligibility:** Proposals will be accepted from the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences. Proposals will be accepted for non-EMS students if students’ home departments, colleges (or research institutes) provide matching funds.

**Proposal Requirements (single-spaced, 12 pt font):**
- Name, Email Address, Major, Campus, Project Title, Advisor
- Project description (<500 words)
- Application to landscape management issues and anticipation of outreach activity (<250 words)
- Brief letter of support from faculty advisor (emailed separately to smithwick@psu.edu)
- Name of any collaborating partner(s)/agencies, if applicable.
- Timeline
- Budget and budget justification that includes a brief description of fund expenditures

For non-EMS students
- Email to smithwick@psu.edu from person with budget authority showing match commitment
- Justification how the research benefits EMS either via research, collaborative networks, or outreach.

**Timeline:** Proposals due by **5pm, Monday, March 2nd.** All materials should be submitted to smithwick@psu.edu. Please include CLD GRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD in the email subject line.

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