

Data and Metadata Use Policy

CALIFORNIA GRASSLANDS

Data and metadata from Hastings Reserve and other northern California grasslands have been made available for use in NCEAS KNB working group to explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and productivity. Mark Stromberg requests that he be a co-author on any publications using this data.

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CEDAR CREEK LTER

Data and metadata from the Cedar Creek LTER site have been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity". These data also may be used for comparisons of the relationship between species richness and productivity by the KNB-supported NCEAS research working group. PIs reserve the right to review manuscripts before submission.

Code of Ethics and Rules for Use of Cedar Creek LTER and Related Data

As a condition for access to data provided by researchers of the Cedar Creek LTER, I agree to abide by the following code of ethics.

A. I agree to notify the Cedar Creek LTER scientists who gathered data if I would like to use those data in any publication. I acknowledge that these data were gathered by Cedar Creek scientists because they had already perceived the importance of these data for a variety of scientific and societal issues. I will provide them with formal recognition that, at their discretion, may include co-authorship or acknowledgements on publications.

B. I realize that the researchers who gathered these data may be using them for scientific analyses, papers or publications that are currently planned or in preparation, and that such activities have precedence over any that I might wish to prepare. In this case, my preparation of any work may be delayed, at the option of the Cedar Creek researchers involved, until their work is completed.

C. Because it may be possible to misinterpret a data set if it is taken out of context, I will seek the assistance and opinion of those Cedar Creek researchers involved in the design of a study and the collection of the data as I analyze the data. Moreover, I realize that this computer data set is not complete, and it may contain errors. The complete data set includes extensive written

documentation, which should be referenced to reduce the chance of errors in data and errors of interpretation.

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GREAT BASIN

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Data and metadata has been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity" at the University of North Carolina. These data also may be used for comparisons of the relationship between species richness and productivity at other sites at KNB-supported NCEAS working groups. Please contact Erica Fleishman (efleish@stanford.edu, telephone 650 725-9914) prior to using these data for any publications or presentations. Depending on the intended use, we may request that the contributions of individuals or funders be recognized via acknowledgments or authorship. We also request that we be allowed to review any publications prior to submission.

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JORNADA-LTER

Data and metadata from the Jornada LTER site have been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity" at Texas Tech University. These working groups bring together participants from other distributed seminars supported by the KNB. These data also may be used for scale-dependent comparisons (expansions of extent) of the relationship between species richness and productivity at other sites at KNB-supported NCEAS working groups including the KNB research working group. Although the raw data are available via the Jornada-LTER web site, any use of data or metadata obtained through the KNB seminars for additional purposes must

be authorized by Michael R. Willig or Stephen Cox as established by an arrangement with Laura Huenneke, at New Mexico State University (Lead PI on the Jornada LTER). In addition to the KNB acknowledgment policy, please adhere to the following Jornada LTER acknowledgment policy on publications and presentations:

Laura Huenneke should be given an opportunity to review any manuscript before submission. Individuals and institutions utilizing data from the Jornada LTER database are requested to place the following acknowledgment in any publication in which these data are mentioned: "Data sets were provided by the Jornada Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) projects. Funding for these data was provided by the U.S. National Science Foundation (Grants DEB-92-40261 and DEB 94-11971)".

Please send 2 copies of any publication that cites Jornada LTER data to:
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KELLOGG BIOLOGICAL STATION

Data and metadata from the Kellogg Biological Station LTER site have been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity". Data and metadata have been made available for exploratory analyses only during the NCEAS KNB research working group. To use these data for further analyses, Kay Gross must be provided with a more specific outline of proposed analyses. Permission must be obtained in writing before proceeding any further.

Data in the KBS LTER core database may not be published without written permission of the lead investigator or project director. These restrictions are intended mainly to preserve the primary investigators' rights to first publication and to ensure that data users are aware of the limitations that may be associated with any specific data set. These restrictions apply to both the baseline data set and to the data sets associated with specific LTER-supported subprojects.

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KONZA LTER

Data and metadata from the Konza LTER site have been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity". These data and metadata may be by the KNB research working group.

We ask all publications, reports and proposals who use any data from KNZ acknowledge cite the KNZ program using the following statement: "Data for XXX was supported by the NSF Long Term Ecological Research Program at Konza Prairie Biological Station"; where XXX is the list of data sets used in the publications, reports or proposals.

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MCLAUGHLIN RESERVE- SUSAN HARRISON'S DATA

Any publications using the data from the McLaughlin Reservation should include the following acknowledgment: "Data and metadata for the McLaughlin Reservation were collected and have been made available by Susan Harrison. Data collection was supported by NSF grant DEB 94-24137 to Susan Harrison."

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PEARL RIVER

Data and metadata from the Pearl River site have been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity". Data and metadata may be used in other KNB working groups for research on scale dependence in the relationship

between biodiversity and ecosystem function. We request that potential users inform us of any intended analyses in order to avoid duplicative efforts.

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SHORTGRASS STEPPE LTER

Data and metadata from the Shortgrass Steppe LTER site have been made available for use in a graduate seminar course titled "Using a Knowledge Network to Explore Scale-Dependent Relationships between Species Richness and Productivity". These data also may be by the KNB-supported NCEAS research working groups.

Prior to Submission: Please send a copy of the report or manuscript to the principal investigator of the data. The SGS LTER should be adequately cited in any resulting publications.

Please Include Tag Line in Report or Manuscript: Data sets were provided by the Shortgrass Steppe Long Term Ecological Research group, a partnership between Colorado State University, United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, and the U.S. Forest Service Pawnee National Grasslands. Significant funding for these data was provided by the National Science Foundation Long Term Ecological Research program (NSF Grant Number DEB-9632852).

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