

# ***Outstanding Achievement Award Recipients***

## ***Research/Academia***

### **Dr. Tamzen K. Stringham**

Dr. Tamzen Stringham, or Tam as many of us know her, is well-known for her research in rangeland management and riparian ecology. Her work is widely cited and she is viewed as one of the top riparian/watershed teachers in the western US. She has authored and co-authored over 30 peer-reviewed papers including seminal work on the development of state and transition modeling for uplands and riparian ecosystems.

Through her passion for rangeland ecology she has been able to bring research to the management level, and aiding the next generation of range scientists and managers through her work as a faculty member previously at Oregon State University and currently at University of Nevada, Reno. She has mentored 12 graduate student and many more undergraduate students. Tamzen dedicates herself to her students and promoting sustainable use of rangelands. She has been and continues to be a positive influence on students, who are the future of SRM and the field of range management.

Many SRM members have been positively influenced by the teaching and workshops that Tamzen has devoted her career to develop, including state and transition model workshops, training, and mentoring. Tamzen's development of the ecological process based state-and-transition model has had a major impact on the management of the rangelands of the United States. NRCS has adopted this model as the basis for national policy on grazing land response to disturbance. For all of these reasons and more, she is an excellent recipient for the Outstanding Achievement Award for Research/Academia.

