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Expertise/Experience:

- *(August 2010 -- Current)*
Wildlife Disease Biologist, National Wildlife Disease Program, United States
Department of Agriculture
- *(January 2008 -- August 2010)*
Postdoctoral Researcher, Effects of urbanization on disease in wild and domestic felids, Colorado State University
- *(August 2002 -- August 2007)*
Researcher and Teaching Assistant, Invasive species and effects on vector-borne disease, Colorado State University
- *(May 2002 -- August 2002)*
Field Technician, Effects of invasive grass species on fire regimes and species abundance, University of Arizona
- *(January 2002 -- April 2002)*
Field Technician, Antillean Manatee distribution and population size in Belize, Earthwatch Institute
- *(May 2000 -- August 2000)*
Howard Hughes Medical Institute Intern, Glaucoma genetics, The Jackson Laboratory

Current Projects:

- Spatial analysis of plague data in coyotes to identify epizootics across the western US
- Broad –scale patters in tularemia prevalence across species and regions
- Comparison of plague surveillance strategies in the US with collaborators in China
- Comparison of wildlife disease surveillance data and human disease occurrence
- QA/QC of plague and tularemia data
- Power analyses and sample size estimates for disease studies

Education:

Ph.D. Ecology, Colorado State University (August 2007)

B.A. Human Ecology, College of the Atlantic (June 2001)

Publications

Tracey JA, KR Crooks, **SN Bevins**, and S VandeWoude (In Preparation) An agent-based movement model to assess the impact of landscape fragmentation on disease transmission. PLOS Biology.

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