



Mesa Verde National Park (CO)

Julie Savage was born and raised in Richmond, Virginia. She ventured a little further south to attend NC State University to pursue a B.S. in Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology with a double minor in Spanish and International Studies. As an undergraduate student, Julie served as a Resident Advisor for two years, studied abroad in Ecuador for a semester, participated in a summer study abroad trip to Namibia, enjoyed involvement in clubs like the Aldo Leopold Wildlife Club, and completed internships with the NC Museum of Natural Sciences and NC Wildlife Resources Commission. After living in Raleigh, Julie jumped to Missoula to attend the University of Montana where she pursued a M.S. in Resource Conservation, International Conservation & Development and a graduate certificate in Natural Resources Conflict Resolution. Her

thesis research focused on a participatory mapping assessment of Amerindian/indigenous resource use in and around a recently established protected area in southern Guyana. Moving forward, Julie would like to focus her professional career on stakeholder, particularly community, engagement and collaboration around protected areas. The CVA position in Mesa Verde National Park is the perfect position for continuing that line of work.