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Meet our Community Development Specialists – **Amber Ross, Rachel Magruder,** and **LaNae Maxson**. They round out the rest of the staff and work hard for each of our counties and communities. They each have quite a bit going on, with several projects all happening at once, so we're excited to have you learn a bit more about them!



Amber Ross started with CNEDD in October of 2021. She lives in Callaway and works out of her office in Broken Bow. During her time with CNEDD, the biggest challenge Amber has faced is learning all the nuances of reporting for the grants being managed. "I love the difference we are making for our communities – even the smallest projects can make a huge difference!" There is so much coming up, Amber is most looking forward to working with our communities on their path to success. **"As a Custer County native, having the opportunity to work in this District is so rewarding!"**



Rachel Magruder began working for CNEDD on October 17, 2022. She lives and works in Long Pine and has taken on a few challenges since starting her path here. The biggest learning curve so far has been acquiring the digital skills to help others learn and understand the same. Her favorite part of joining the team so far has been **"traveling**

through the sandhills to our communities and meeting the kind, hearty souls that reside there." With so much going on, she's really looking forward to assisting our communities in achieving their goals.



LaNae Maxson is the newest member of CNEDD, and she started not quite a year ago in late May of 2023. So far, LaNae's biggest challenge has been keeping on top of the ever-changing state and federal administrative policies. "Being able to connect with like-minded individuals from across Nebraska, who are passionate about our state and their communities and work hard every day to leave a positive legacy for the next generation, is extraordinary." LaNae is excited to meet new people from around the District and State, as well as finding innovative ways to make a difference. **"The ability to serve and help make an impact for residents of central Nebraska is a gift, one that is not taken lightly."**

We are so happy to have Carla, Tish, Deanna, Amber, Rachel, and LaNae on the CNEDD team. They each work diligently to bring new opportunities and growth throughout the District. Let us know if there are any projects you are wanting help with, and thanks for reading more about the team members of CNEDD!

"April is the kindest month. April gets you out of your head and out working in the garden."

- Marty Rubin