

## Supplemental

### Supplemental figures

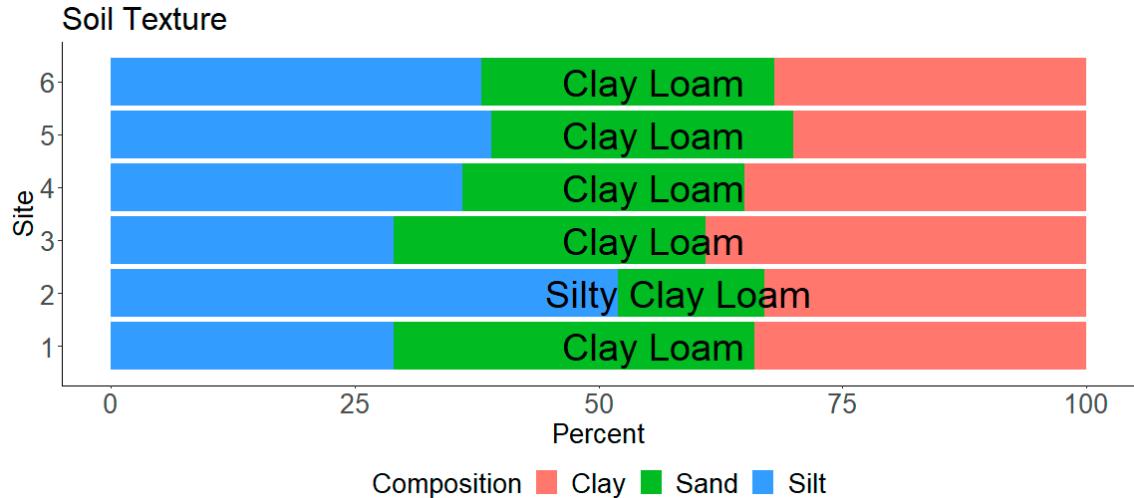


Figure S1: Soil textures of the sampling sites

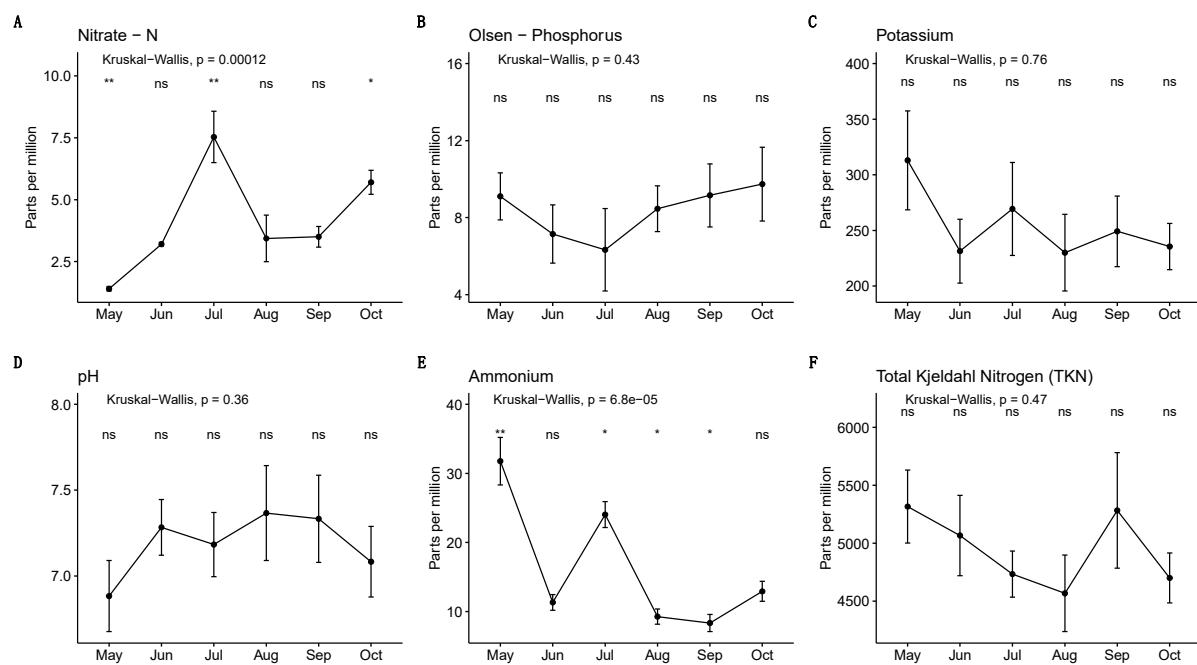


Figure S2: Soil chemical properties across sampling sites within the sampling time points with Kruskal-Wallis test results.

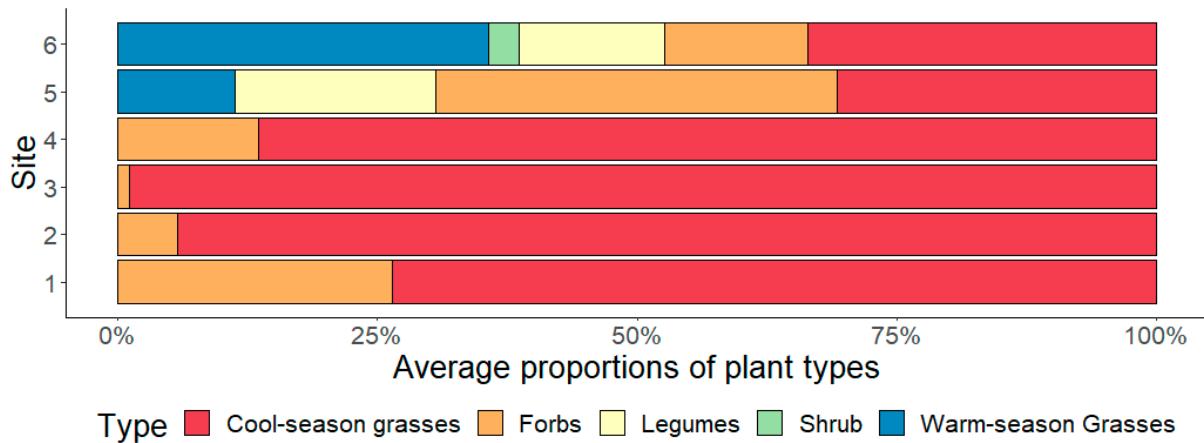


Figure S3. Distribution of plant groups across the six study sites.

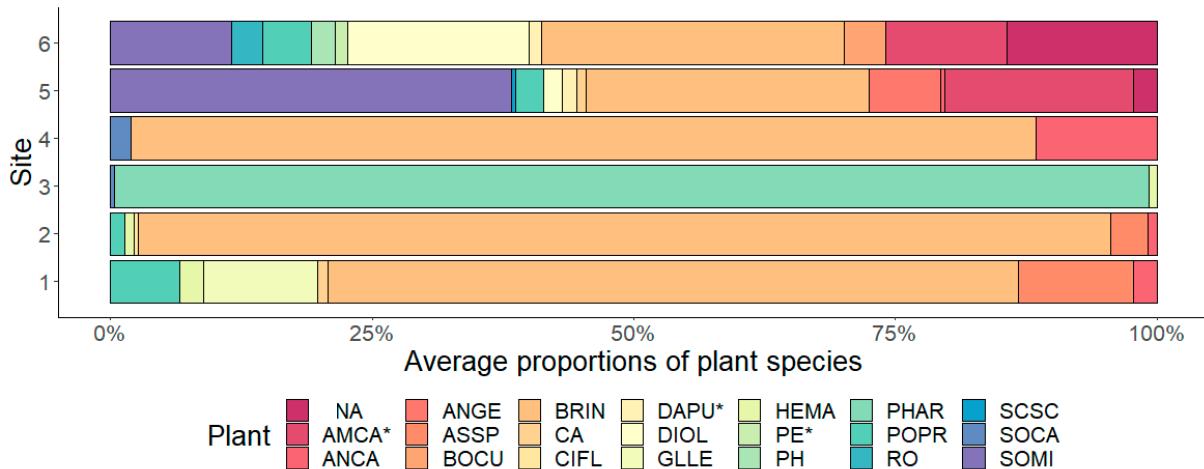
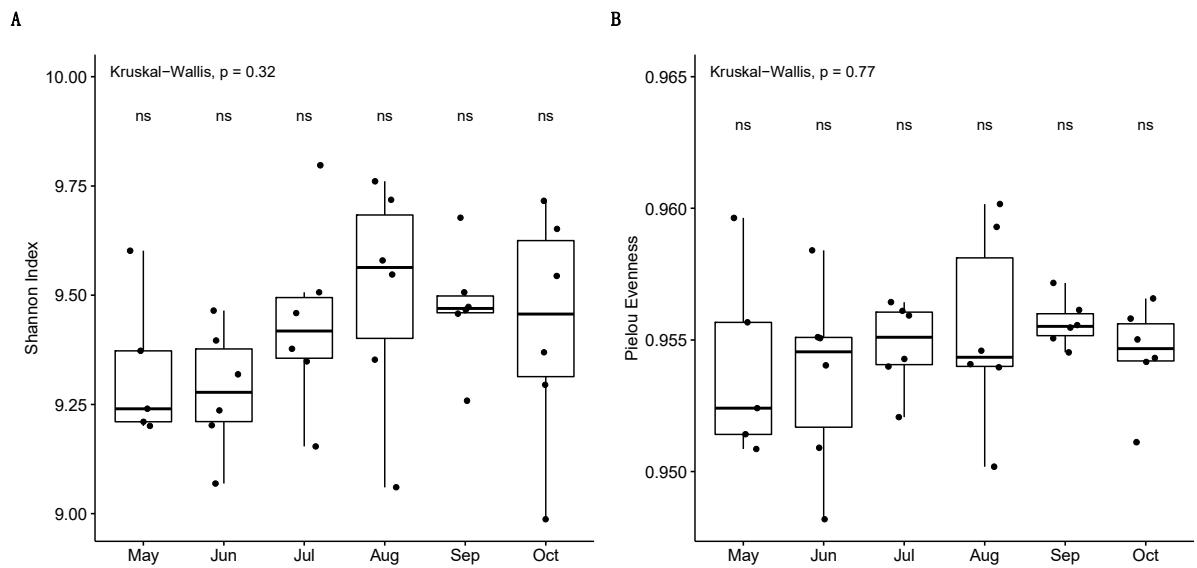


Figure S4. Plant species distribution across the study sites. The legume species are represented by asterisk (\*) on the legend. The abbreviations represent: BRIN - *Bromus inermis*; POPR - *Poa pratensis*; PHAR - *Phalaris arundinacea*; CA – *Carex sp.*; NA – *Nassella sp.*; ANGE - *Andropogon gerardii*; SCSC - *Schizachyrium scoparium*; BOCU - *Bouteloua curtipendula*; DIOL - *Dichanthelium oligosanthes*; CIFL - *Cirsium flodmanii*; ASSP - *Asclepias speciosa*; SOMI - *Solidago missouriensis*; HEMA - *Helianthus maximiliani*; ANCA - *Anemone canadensis*; SOCA - *Solidago canadensis*; GLLE - *Glycyrrhiza lepidota*; PH - *Physalis sp.*; AMCA\* - *Amorpha canescens*; DAPU\* - *Dalea purpurea*; PE\* - *Pediomelum sp.*; RO – *Rosa sp.*.



**Figure S5.** Alpha-diversity of the bacterial communities across 6 months (a) Shannon diversity, and (b) Pielou Evenness.



**Figure S6:** Taxa different across at least one time point across the seasons ( $p<0.01$ ). The names of the phyla shown here are based on the taxonomic profile downloaded from the Greengenes database, however, some of the phylum names have recently been changed (Oren & Garrity, 2011).

## Supplemental tables

Table S1. G-Block solutions

S.No.	Target	Type	S.No.	Target	Type
1	Bac_16S	gBlock	16	hzs	gBlock
2	Arc_16S	gBlock	17	hao	gBlock
3	nirK_1	gBlock	18	hzo	gBlock
4	nirK_2	gBlock	19	amoA_1	gBlock
5	nirS_1	gBlock	20	amoA_2	gBlock
6	norB_1	gBlock	21	amoA_3	gBlock
7	nosZ_1	gBlock	22	amoA_4	gBlock
8	nosZ_2	gBlock	23	amoA_5	gBlock
9	narG_2	gBlock	24	amoA_6	gBlock
10	norB_2	gBlock	25	nirK_3	gBlock
11	napA	gBlock	26	nirS_2	gBlock
12	nrfA	gBlock	27	nirS_3	gBlock
13	nifH	gBlock	28	narG_1	plasmid
14	nxrB_1	gBlock	29	nosZ_3	plasmid
15	nxrB_2	gBlock	30	comaA	gBlock

Table S2. Primers used for nitrogen cycle genes

Gene	Organism	Forward	Reverse	Assay No.	Assay ID
16S rRNA gene	Bacteria	515F	806R	1	1_16S
	Archaea	Archaea-F KO	Archaea-R KO	2	2_Arch_16S
<i>amoA</i>	$\gamma$ -proteobacteria	Gamo172 F1	Gamo172 F1_R1	3	3_Gamo_F1R1
		Gamo172 F1	Gamo172 F1_R2	4	4_Gamo_F1R2
		Gamo172 F2	Gamo172 F2_R1	5	5_Gamo_F2R1
<i>amoA</i>	$\beta$ -proteobacteria	amoA_F1	amoA_2R	6	6_amoA

Gene	Organism	Forward	Reverse	Assay No.	Assay ID
	Archaea	Arch-amoAF	Arch-amoAR	7	7_Arch_amoAF
		Arch-amoAFA	Arch-amoAR	8	8_Arch_amoAF_A
		Arch-amoAFB	Arch-amoAR	9	9_Arch_amoAF_B
		Arch-amoA-for	Arch-amoA-rev	10	10_Arch_amoA-for
<i>hao/hdh</i>	anammox bacteria	hzocl1F1	hzocl1R2	11	11_hzocl
	Proteobacterial AOB	haoF4	haoR2	12	12_hao
<i>hzs</i>	anammox bacteria	hzsA_1597F	hzsA1857R	13	13_hzsA
<i>nxrB</i>	Nitrobacter	NxrB 1F	NxrB 1R	14	14_nxrBF
	Nitrospira	nxrB169f	nxrB638r	15	15_nxrB169f
<i>narG</i>	Bacteria	W9F	T38R	16	16_narG_W9F
		narG1960f	narG2650r	17	17_narG_1960f
<i>nrfA</i>	Bacteria	nrfAF2aw	nrfAR1	18	18_nrfA
<i>napA</i>	Bacteria	V66	V67	19	19_napA_V66
		V17m	napA4r	20	20_napA_V17m
<i>nirS</i>	Bacteria	nirSCd3aF	nirSR3cd	21	21_nirS_cd3aF
		nirSC1F	nirSC1R	22	22_nirSC1F
		nirSC2F	nirSC2R	23	23_nirSC2F
		nirSC3F	nirSC3R	24	23_nirSC3F
<i>nirK</i>	Bacteria	FlaCu	R3Cu	25	25_nirK_FlaCu
		nirK876	nirK1040	26	26_nirK876
		nirKC1F	nirKC1R	27	27_nirKC1F
		nirKC2F	nirKC2R	28	28_nirKC2F
		nirKC4F	nirKC4R	29	29_nirKC4F
	AOB	nirK_166F	nirK_665R	30	30_nirK_166F
<i>norB</i>	denitrifier	norB2	norB6	31	31_norB2
		cnorB-2F	cnotB-6R	32	32_cnorB-2F
	Bacteria	qnorB2F	qnorB5R	33	33_qnorB2F-5R
		qnorB2F	qnorB7R	34	34_qnorB2F-7R
<i>nosZ</i>	denitrifier, clade I	nosZ1F	nosZ1R	35	35_nosZ1F
		nosZ-F-1181	nosZ-R-1880	36	36_nosZ-F-1181
	denitrifier, clade II	nosZ-II-F	nosZ-II-R	37	37_nosZ-II-F
		NosZ912F	NosZ1853R	38	38_nosZ912F
<i>nifH</i>	Bacteria	nifHF	nifHR	39	39_nifHF
		IGK3	DVV_correct	40	40_nifH_IGK3
comaA	comammox	comaA-244F	comaA-659R	41	41_comaA-244F

