

**WILDEARTH GUARDIANS
JOB DESCRIPTION & ANNOUNCEMENT**

Trainer - Youth Forest Management Training Course

February 23, 2015

From April 6, 2015 until October 15, 2015, WildEarth Guardians is organizing a Youth Conservation Corps watershed restoration program in New Mexico. The Project will take place in the Jemez Mountains on the Valles Caldera National Preserve and in the Santa Fe National Forest. WildEarth Guardians' YCC program is funded by the New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps Commission, the USDA Forest Service, and private sources. The 2015 program will be operated out of Santa Fe, NM.

WildEarth Guardians is seeking qualified individuals to work as **Crew Trainers** for the 2015 Youth Conservation Corps program.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Supervise a crew of 8-10 youth working on natural resource management projects on Federal and National Forest system lands in New Mexico
- Coordinate with Forest Service staff to develop weekly work and education session plans for the crew
- Assist in the orientation of corps members in leadership, team building, project orientation, work safety, and good work habits
- Provide corps members with on-the-ground training and education, by example and instruction, displaying proper work ethics, appropriate work behavior and safe work practices, including training, monitoring and harassment prevention
- Prepare reports, evaluations, and other required paperwork in an efficient and timely manner.
- Coordinate with the Forest Guild and Forest Service professional personnel to provide appropriate vocational and educational opportunities for each corps member
- Seek prior permission from WildEarth Guardians supervisor for any and all work absences.
- Compliance with and enforcement of all WildEarth Guardians, Valles Caldera National Preserve, and Forest Service rules and policies

Qualifications:

- Experience supervising a diverse group of young people in a field-based work environment
- Ability to perform strenuous work outdoors, for long hours, in rough country and summer conditions which may include heat and inclement weather
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Ability to plan, prioritize, coordinate, and schedule training and work projects to meet guidelines and goals
- Ability and willingness to lead young people by example

- Ability and willingness to work independently and without close supervision
- Knowledge of best practices in natural resources conservation and management
- Age Requirement 18-25 (and must be 25 or younger on October 15, 2015)
- Possess or be able to obtain a valid driver's license and be able to pass a defensive driving course
- Ability to drive a variety of different sized vehicles
- Familiar with Valles Caldera National Preserve, Forest Service, and WildEarth Guardians Rules and policies
- Ability to use a computer to prepare and file reports
- Preference will be given to applicants with prior YCC experience.

COMPENSATION:

- Hourly wage of \$13.00 per hour. Pay increases available based on funding and performance.
- Workers Compensation insurance is provided during the employment period.
- No other benefits are included.

TIME COMMITMENT:

- Forty hours per week from April 6 through October 15, 2015. Work schedule and timeline may vary due to natural causes, funding, and access to work location.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Deadline for application is March 10, 2015. Mail a letter of interest, current resume including education background, and three work-related references to:

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