



# ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH CORPS 2024 Weed-Range-Wildlife Intern

Partner Agency:	Bureau of Land Management- White River Field Office
Positions Available:	1
Location:	Meeker, CO
Tentative Dates:	May 13 - September 27, 2024 (or upon completion of 20 weeks).
Stipend:	\$650/week living allowance. Total amount will be \$13,000.
AmeriCorps:	675-hour AmeriCorps Education Award (\$2,626.27) upon successful completion
Plus:	Boot/gear reimbursement up to \$300 Housing stipend up to \$150/week Public Land Corps Hiring Authority upon completion of 640 hours on public lands.

### **Program Overview:**

AmeriCorps member-technicians will serve with experienced Bureau of Land Management (BLM) crew leads and specialists to conduct range monitoring, noxious weeds treatments, and wildlife populations and habitat monitoring. Under the direction of a BLM crew lead and specialists, member-technicians will perform noxious weed treatments using herbicides and mechanical methods. A variety of habitat/range and wildlife monitoring including vegetation monitoring using line point intercept, utilization (installing and monitoring range cages), monitoring nesting status of woodland raptors, raptor/bird surveys, fish sampling and reptile/amphibian monitoring will also be performed. BLM specialists will provide training and personal protective equipment (if necessary). An approximate breakdown of duties will be 50% weeds, 25% Range monitoring, 25% Wildlife.

Applicants should be aware that there are multiple partnerships between organizations involved in their employment. While applicants are hired and paid through RMYC, the office and field work take place on BLM property. Because of this, member-technicians are required to pass a background check for each organization and take government specific training to access government buildings and computer networks. The member-technician's supervisor is a full-time BLM employee, and the member-technicians will spend the entire summer serving directly under this person.

#### **General Qualifications:**

• This is primarily a field position, and interns will serve in remote areas, sometimes during adverse weather conditions including extreme heat, monsoonal rains, snow. Some hiking will be required.

- Ability to hike long distances in rough, uneven terrain and a variety of weather conditions (e.g., heat, rain etc.). Occasional camping and early morning/evening work may be required.
- Skilled at communicating and staying calm during tedious tasks while working in challenging environments.
- Ability to maintain a close working relationship with crew members.
- Comfortable with driving trucks on 4WD roads in unpredictable conditions. Some experience with UTVs and small engines helpful.
- Must possess a valid driver's license to operate government vehicles and equipment.
- Experience with plant identification and taxonomy preferred.

## Service Statement:

As an AmeriCorps service program, RMYC holds all of its staff to the highest standards of service focused on environmental stewardship, education, and healthy futures. AmeriCorps is a federal program that is a network of local, state, and national service programs that connect over 70,000 Americans each year in intensive service to meet community needs. Their mission is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct and team-based national and community service. We provide resources and people power to organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities. We enrich the lives of those we serve and those who serve. Participants grow personally and professionally gaining new skill sets through providing hands-on work experience, valuable networking opportunities, and professional skills training. Why do you want to serve with AmeriCorps? Spending a season serving with AmeriCorps through RMYC can be a life-changing and rewarding experience. Successful candidates will demonstrate a commitment to service, diversity, self-development, and the team environment.

## **Requirements:**

- High School Diploma or equivalent
- 18 Years of age or older with a valid driver license and clean driving record.
- This position is supported by the Public Lands Hiring Authority which requires candidates to be between the ages of 16 to 30.
- Pre-service background screening required, including FBI background check
- Must be eligible for enrollment in AmeriCorps as a US Citizen, National, or Lawful Permanent Resident. Documentation will be required on the first day.

**CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT:** AmeriCorps members will be subject to all state and federal laws, and the rules and regulations of OSHA and RMYC. The member is expected to fully understand and adhere to the rules, regulations and code of conduct as described in the AmeriCorps member manual. 10/19 Policy violations will result in disciplinary action according to program guidelines, including written warnings, fines, suspension without stipend, and/or termination. The AmeriCorps member is accountable for meeting or exceeding the responsibilities of this position as described above, and will be evaluated at mid-term and end-term by Corps Program Staff, with input from project hosts. Successful completion is contingent on both AmeriCorps education award hours and service through the agreed upon term end date.

This position is classified as Temporary Exempt and is a seasonal position with no benefits. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is committed to the inclusion of members with all levels of ability. Reasonable accommodations are available upon request. This program is available to all, without regard age 40 and over, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, military or veteran status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or any other applicable status protected by state or local law.

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Member Name

Signature

Date