



ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH CORPS

Intern

- Partner Agency:** US Forest Service- Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest- Hahns Peak-Bears Ears Ranger District
- Positions Available:** 2
- Location:** Steamboat Springs, CO
- Tentative Dates:** December 30th, 2024 - April 4th , 2025 (up to 560 regular hours)
- Wage:** \$17/hour
- Plus:** Public Land Corps Hiring Authority upon completion of 640 hours on public lands.
Paid sick leave
Boot/gear reimbursement up to \$400
Housing allowance up to \$150/week. Depending on space, shared housing may be provided in Steamboat Springs, CO. Rooms are double occupancy with shared kitchen, bathroom and laundry. Alcohol and non-prescribed and illegal drugs under federal law are not permitted in Forest Service housing.
Much of the field gear is provided including day pack, avalanche rescue gear, snowmobile helmet, snow pants and jackets, work gloves, first aid supplies, and Forest Service uniform.

Program Overview:

The Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District Winter Recreation Program supports winter travel management and maintenance of recreation sites. The elevation ranges from about 7,600 to 10,800 feet. The average snowfall in this area ranges from 300 inches to 500 inches depending on the area of the district. This program is responsible for regularly patrolling, posting, and maintaining signage for over 30 miles of remote, non-motorized trails or Wilderness boundaries. The district also operates two fee sites in the winter, a remote snowmobile in guard station rental, and other recreation facilities.

Duties include:

- Public education and information of Forest rules and regulations to Forest visitors
- Patrol front country recreation sites, backcountry non-motorized areas, and Wilderness boundaries in deep snowy winter conditions on snowmobiles
- Educate visitors about current Forest regulations
- Install and maintain trailheads, road signs, access gates, and information kiosks
- Implement and support the motorized and non-motorized travel management plan (where motorized users are allowed to go and where non-motorized users such as skiers/snowshoers are encouraged to go) via signage, gates, barriers, and visitor education

- Perform maintenance, snow/ice removal, and clean developed sites such as picnic areas and trailhead facilities including bathrooms
- Collect and count recreation fees
- Collect and maintain field data

General Qualifications:

Experience with the following is preferred but not required for the position: however, there is an expectation that individuals will gain that experience throughout their service term, if needed.

- Successful applicants must have a strong work ethic and the ability to serve independently in remote locations in a variety of weather conditions.
- Positive attitude and desire to learn new skills.
- Skilled in the use of hand and power tools and in using construction tools (i.e. hammers, chainsaws, axes, drills, pumps, etc.).
- Ability and comfortable working in winter backcountry conditions for long periods of time. Often crews will be in bottomless snow in freezing temperatures.
- Knowledge and ability to safely operate and maintain snowmobiles and Forest Service vehicles on district roads and trails in order to safely travel to assigned areas.
- Practice effective communication and good people skills while serving with members of your team and the public.
- Knowledge and understanding of how to travel in deep snow and in avalanche terrain.

Disclaimer: This position requires you to snowmobile in deep powder snow. For applicants who have never snowmobiled, this is a physically demanding task, often with a slow learning curve. Being physically fit with a positive can-do attitude is required.

Requirements:

- High School Diploma or equivalent
- 18 Years of age or older with a valid driver license and clean driving record.
- Eligibility to work in the US
- 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 able to provide proof of eligibility to work in the United States

This position is classified as Temporary Non-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

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