

Land Use Management Intern

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Offers will be made on a rolling basis. Apply soon!

Part of the River Connections Program, a partnership of Wild Rivers Conservancy and the National Park Service at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway

Wild Rivers Conservancy is currently recruiting applicants for up to two Land Use Management internships at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway during the summer of 2022. Positions will be 12-14 weeks, beginning June 1, 2022.

The Riverway, one of the nation's first wild and scenic rivers, is a National Park consisting of 255 river miles that flow through some of the most scenic and least developed country in the Upper Midwest. Learn more at: www.nps.gov/sacn.

Wild Rivers Conservancy is a nonprofit organization that works to inspire stewardship to forever ensure the rare ecological integrity of the St. Croix and Namekagon Riverway.

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Description of Internship

These positions are duty stationed at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway headquarters in Saint Croix Falls, WI and are supervised by the Riverway's Lands Program Manager. They provide students with practical work experience in the field of land management via on-site scenic easement monitoring and using GIS and other computer tools to develop maps and other products. This internship provides exposure to multiple National Park Service career opportunities with a special emphasis on land-use management.

Major Duties

Both interns will work with the lands program manager to conduct monitoring of scenic easements at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.

• 70% of the time will be spent (1) creating field information folders for each easement parcel, (2) then using these field folders in monitoring scenic easements in the field. Monitoring requires good communication skills and being able to work with landowners along with skill with a camera, GPS, and observation and (3) GIS analysis and creation of maps that can be taken into the field to identify changes to scenic easement properties.

 30% of the intern's time will be spent working directly with lands staff members to evaluate landowner building requests and populating individual tract files with information gathered as a result of easement monitoring.

Benefits

- Food and expense allowance
- Housing provided for the duration of internship for those coming from outside of area
- Training in paddling skills, CPR/First Aid and any necessary training to perform internship duties.
- Up to \$1200 for college credits/tuition is provided to the school in which the student is enrolled upon completion of the internship.
- With 250 hours worked, you will receive a National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass that provides access to more than 2,000 recreation areas managed by five Federal agencies (valid for 12 months after issue).

Skills Required

- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- College student or recent graduate with coursework in natural, physical or cultural sciences; GIS; database management; land use planning; resource interpretation; natural or cultural resource management; outdoor recreation; or park/recreation management.
- Ability to work well both independently and as part of a team, be detail-oriented and organized, and follow oral and written directions.
- Good oral and written communication skills. Ability to provide information to both the visiting public and private property landowners.
- Basic computer familiarity, Microsoft Office programs, basic understanding of ArcGIS and/or Google Earth preferred. Valid state driver's license is required.
- Ability to lift and carry up to 25 pounds independently, 50 pounds with assistance.

Work Site and Conditions

- Intern will be based at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway headquarters in St. Croix Falls, WI.
- 25% of work will be in the office manipulating data, using the GIS software to make maps, creating
 reporting tools to be used during easement monitoring and working on land use related problems.
- 75% of work will be in the field conducting easement monitoring and this will involve some physical activity, including walking, standing for long periods of time, and paddling a kayak or canoe.
- Internship will run from June 1 through mid-August 2020.
- An internship of 12-14 weeks is preferred. Flexibility in length of the internship is negotiable.
- Work schedule is primarily Monday through Friday.
- A fingerprint and background check is required.
- Full COVID vaccination is required for position eligibility.

How to Apply

Send all of the following information:

- 1. Cover letter. State the internship you are applying for, why are you interested in the internship and in working in the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.
- 2. Detailed resume, including work experience
- 3. Three references

Email to:

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Deadline: Applications will be reviewed and considered as they are received, so apply soon! **Applications must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, February 18, 2022.**