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**AMERICORPS RECREATION TECHNICIAN:** A Temporary, Full-time Position. Pay: Living Allowance: \$5,760, AmeriCorps Education Award\*: \$1,468, Student loan forbearance & Housing Stipend: \$200/month. Dates: June 2, 2014 – August 22, 2014.

**Location:** The Great Basin Institute/BLM Elko, Tuscarora Field Office, Nevada.

**Qual:** Coursework in recreation/wilderness management, natural resources, or equivalent field experience; Ability to take meeting notes and compile them into a written report; Ability to learn a wide variety of computer programs such as: Microsoft Office Suite and MS Publisher; Experience creating maps and manipulating data using ArcGIS, desirable; Ability to read and navigate using topographic maps and a compass; Experience writing project reports and/or presenting technical data in an organized and understandable manner; Motivated, self-starter, detail oriented, and possess good organizational skills; Willingness to work alone or in small groups to accomplish the goals and mission of the BLM; Ability to work in harsh and rapidly changing environments, traverse uneven terrain and hike cross-country for extended distances (8-10 miles); Clean, valid, state-issued driver's license with ability to safely operate an All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) or Utility Vehicle (UTV), as well as a 4WD pickup on paved and unpaved roads; It would be desirable if the technician was fluent in Spanish; and Meet AmeriCorps eligibility requirements: (1) U.S. citizenship or legal resident alien status, (2) eligible to receive an AmeriCorps Education Award (limit of four in a lifetime or equivalent of 2 full-time awards), and (3) pass National Sex Offender Public Registry (NSOPR) and federal criminal background checks.

**Duties:** The Great Basin Institute, in cooperation with the Elko Bureau of Land Management, Tuscarora Field Office is hiring one Recreation Technician to assist in the outdoor recreation/wilderness program in the District. The technician will help to plan, organize, promote, record and run four Benefits-based focus groups, and this year's Take-It-Outside (TIO) program to be held near Elko. In addition, the technician will help to develop next year's TIO and other recreation programs; develop a list of Elko County organizations that can be called upon for volunteers and funding for recreation programs; and/or provide assistance in developing ideas that would be attractive to people of Elko County to recreate on BLM lands. The technician will perform outreach to local schools and other federal, state, and county agencies in Elko County to recruit participants for the focus groups. The technician will also develop a list of people or organizations that would be available to provide outdoor education activities during recreation events on public lands. Additionally, the technician will perform a wide range of duties in support of gathering data for the Bureau's wilderness program: working in the field conducting inventories, monitoring, data gathering, responding to emergency situations, administering first aid/CPR, litter removal from Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs), and routine maintenance on signs, etc. The technician will provide assistance in identifying, gathering, recording and compiling several types of prescribed route/statistical data and information related to travel into and on WSAs, and enter data into GIS and RMIS databases. Other tasks include route inventory for future travel management planning efforts; inventories of Lands with Wilderness Characteristics; and assisting in providing recreation, wilderness, and visual input on projects occurring in the District. On-the-job training and orientation related to data collection, recreation management, maintenance, and safety programs is required. The technician will be

located in the District Office located in Elko, NV. The technician will spend much of her/his time assisting the Recreation Planner in conducting research on WSAs in the Tuscarora Field Office. The work is performed in an outdoor environment in rugged terrain, including very steep, wet, muddy, rough, uneven or rocky surfaces; and the position requires physical exertions, such as, bending, crouching and stooping, stretching, reaching, or similar activities. Some weekend field work will be required and the technician should be capable of working alone, or with other people, from early morning to late in the day. Work may occur in temperature extremes up to and occasionally exceeding 100° F. There is some flexibility in choosing a work schedule, but likely the technician will work five 8-hour days (Monday - Friday). The four focus groups will be held outside of regular hours with flexibility as long as the 80 hours per 2-week pay period are met.\* AmeriCorps Education Award may be used for past, present or future education experiences, including payment of qualified federal student loans.

**Appl:** Send Cover Letter, Resume and 3 references.

**Contact:** The Great Basin Institute, Amy Gladding, GBI HR Coordinator, Email: agladding@thegreatbasininstitute.org

**Filing Date:** Open.

**SEASONAL NATURALIST:** Four (4) Temporary, Part-time Positions. Pay: 10.35/hour plus room and board (must live on-site). Dates: Start: 9/3/14.

**Location:** Aitkin County, Palisade Minnesota.

**Qual:** Seasonal Naturalists are often recent graduates with bachelor's degrees in biological sciences, environmental education, recreation, or related fields. We also consider applicants from a wider variety of fields. Responsibilities/privileges may vary according to prior experience. Candidates are considered as applications are received (first-come, first-served basis). Positions are now available for the 2014- 2015 academic year.

**Duties:** Seasonal Naturalists at LLCC both learn and teach. They learn through observation of and interaction with our creative and dynamic staff of Naturalists. They teach by sharing knowledge with students, and also by bringing fresh insights and individual expertise to our community. Seasonal Naturalist responsibilities: Care for the health, safety, enjoyment, and enrichment of our visiting students. Observe, take notes, and teach classes. Teach and lead classes independently, after exposure to the curriculum. Work weekends on a rotating basis. Willingly work outdoors in all kinds of weather. Assist in all aspects of the education department (critter care, equipment upkeep, etc.). Seasonal Naturalist Diversified Positions: 1. Curriculum Development Naturalist 2. Wildlife Care Naturalist 3. Outreach Naturalist 4. Community Program Naturalist LLCC aims to provide professional development and experience based on applicants' interest, knowledge, and skill. There are four diversified seasonal naturalist roles. Responsibilities and expectations in these roles are not mutually exclusive, and seasonal naturalists all share general responsibilities. These roles are designed to promote professional experience and incorporate personal interest into the position. To help match applicants with the best opportunities, the application will ask you to rank the roles that most relate to your professional goals and past experience. This will have no bearing on who is interviewed or hired; however, it will help the best applicants to end up in the most appropriate roles. Curriculum Development Naturalist: In addition to general responsibilities, the Curriculum Development Naturalist manages lesson plans and curriculum for the school year programs. His/her role is to work with LLCC education staff to enhance, update, organize, and create lesson plans (and related resources) for the education staff. Furthermore, he/she works to create tangible learning tools like visuals, games, and activities. This role is great for someone interested in the field of education and looking to gain experience developing environmental education curriculum, as well as someone who is creative and has experience with different teaching methods. Wildlife Care Naturalist: In addition to general responsibilities, the Wildlife Care Naturalist works to assess and maintain the health of LLCC's critter collection and to provide care for other LLCC wildlife like our visiting birds, other natural inhabitants, and a garden. Furthermore, he/she works to maintain and develop educational materials and lessons about wildlife for the public and education use (i. e. poster for wildflower

identification). This role is perfect for the science lover, wildlife enthusiast, or expert in fields like biology, herpetology, botany, forestry, etc. Outreach Naturalist: In addition to general responsibilities, the Outreach Naturalist works to promote LLCC's mission, programs, and opportunities in environmental education in the community and to schools across the state. His/her role is to work in conjunction with LLCC administrators to develop outreach materials, manage social media, and build relationships with users, members and visitors of LLCC. Furthermore, he/she will also work on procuring grants and may travel to schools interested in visiting LLCC. This role is geared for the outgoing, social naturalist interested in non-profit work, fundraising, and sharing his/her enthusiasm with others. Community Program Naturalist: In addition to general responsibilities, the Community Program Naturalist works to create, develop, and direct the programs LLCC offers to the local community, such as classes, birthday parties, clubs, weekend events, and more. His/her role is to work with LLCC administrators to plan programs, develop program materials (such as brochures), conduct programs, and manage the schedule for LLCC community events. Furthermore, he/she may also take on the role of event planning for guest speakers, meetings, and workshops at LLCC. This role is beneficial to naturalists who are also interested in community organizing, program development, event planning, and administrative work.

**Appl:** Send Cover Letter, Resume, application and 3 References.

**Contact:** Long Lake Conservation Center, Bobbie Danielson, Human Resources Manager, 217 2nd ST NW Room 134, Aitkin, MN 56431. Ph: 218-927-7306, Fax: 218-927-7374. Email: [hr@co.aitkin.mn.us](mailto:hr@co.aitkin.mn.us), Website: <http://www.co.aitkin.mn.us/employment/jobs.html>.

**Filing Date:** Open.

**SUMMER NATURALIST:** Three (3) Temporary, Full-time Position. Pay: \$290.00/week plus room & board. Dates: Start: 06/09/2014.

**Location:** Aitkin County, Palisade Minnesota.

**Qual:** Ability to enjoy and work with youth is essential. Love of the outdoors. Experience working with children. Helpful, but not required: Summer camp experience. Experience with firearms and hunting. Interest in becoming a firearm safety instructor.

**Duties:** Instruct campers in numerous classes and activities. Implement fun and exciting activities. Supervise and assist campers. Communicate effectively with other staff and campers. Monitor the health and safety of campers.

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**Filing Date:** Open.

**SEASONAL – WILDLIFE TECHNICIAN:** A Temporary, Full-time Position. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, Illinois.

**Qual:** Must be a full-time college student at an accredited school with one-year minimum course work completed. Candidate must have completed one or more of these courses: wildlife ecology, herpetology, ornithology, organismal biology, zoology, and/or environmental science. Possess a working knowledge of the fauna of northeastern Illinois—especially birds and reptiles. Familiarity with the characteristics of regional woodland, prairie and wetland communities a plus. Ability to work outdoors under adverse weather conditions. Enthusiastic, punctual, courteous, positive attitude and team spirit. Strong written and oral communication skills. Computer skills - experience with common computer software. Experience with safe operation of gas powered weed whips. Must be 18 years of age or older. Current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

**Duties:** The mission of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County is to acquire, hold and maintain lands within Kane County that contribute to the preservation of natural and historic resources, habitats, flora, and fauna; and to restore, restock, protect and preserve such lands for the education, recreation, and pleasure of all its citizens. Our goal is to preserve and restore the nature of Kane County. The Natural Resources Department has one (1) seasonal Wildlife Technician position available for the 2014 summer season to assist our Wildlife Biologist with a variety of field-based projects. Assist with small mammal sampling (includes live trapping, identification and data collection). Assist with Blanding's turtle surveys from June-August. Work with full-time staff to collect deer browse data. Participate in salamander and snake surveys – will require evening work. Assist with on-going bird monitoring projects - will require very early morning work. Locate, review and assemble published literature on specific wildlife issues. Assist staff and volunteers with spring frog monitoring –will require evening work. Respond to nuisance wildlife complaints with fulltime staff. Occasionally assist with other biological research projects such as rare plant monitoring. Participate in planting & seeding projects. Occasionally assist field staff with natural areas management tasks including, but not limited to exotic species management, sign posting, seed harvesting for on-going restoration activities.

**Appl:** All candidates must apply on-line at: <http://www.kaneforest.com/employment/apply.aspx>

**Contact:** Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Betsy Scaletta, Human Resources Specialist, 1996 South Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois 60134. Ph: 630-208-8662; Email: [hrforest@kaneforest.com](mailto:hrforest@kaneforest.com). Web: <http://www.kaneforest.com/employment/apply.aspx>.

**Filing Date:** Open.

**TRADES SEASONAL:** A Temporary, Full-time Position. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, Illinois.

**Qual:** Ability to work outdoors under adverse weather conditions. Enthusiastic, courteous, positive attitude and team spirit. Must be 18 years of age or older. Current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

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**INTERN – PUBLIC RELATIONS:** A Temporary, Full-time Position. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, Illinois.

**Qual:** Must be a full-time college student at an accredited school with two years minimum course work in marketing, public relations, journalism or related field. Strong written and oral communication skills

required. Must have experience with common computer software such as Microsoft Word, email, Web and social media. Graphic design skills and experience with Adobe InDesign a plus. Photography skills a plus. Ability to learn about the District's facilities and events and promote them to the public. Working knowledge of event planning. Outgoing, enthusiastic, courteous, positive attitude and team spirit. Must be 18 years of age or older. Current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

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**INTERN/SEASONAL – NATURALIST:** Two (2) Temporary, Full-time Positions. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, St. Charles, Illinois.

**Qual:** Must have minimum one –year college course work in biology, botany, environmental science or education or related field. Should have some experience in working and/or play interaction with youth. Must enjoy working with a variety of age groups in outdoor settings. Must have strong communication skills. Must have a working knowledge of northeastern Illinois ecology. Must be enthusiastic, flexible and courteous. Must exhibit positive attitude and team spirit. Must be 18 years of age or older. Must hold a current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

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**Filing Date:** Open.

**INTERN/SEASONAL – NATURAL RESOURCES TECHNICIAN:** Two (2) Temporary, Full-time Positions. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, Illinois.

**Qual:** Must be a full-time college student or a recent graduate from an accredited school with one-year minimum course work in biology, botany, environmental science or education or related field. Computer skills - experience with common computer software including Microsoft Office Suite. Strong written and oral communication skills. Ability to work outdoors under adverse weather conditions (including exposure to allergens, heat, humidity, biting insects, and poisonous plants). Possess a working knowledge of the flora of northeastern Illinois and familiarity with the characteristics of regional woodland, prairie and wetland communities. Understanding of a broad range of ecological concepts and a willingness to learn in a variety of settings. Experience with or a willingness to learn safe operation of gas powered weed whips. Enthusiastic, courteous, positive attitude and team spirit. Must be 18 years of age or older. Current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

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**Filing Date:** Open.

**MAINTENANCE – FIELD OPERATIONS SEASONALS:** Thirty-Two (32) Temporary, Full-time Positions. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, Illinois.

**Qual:** Ability to work outdoors under adverse weather conditions. Enthusiastic, courteous, positive attitude and team spirit. Must be 18 years of age or older. Current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

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flora, and fauna; and to restore, restock, protect and preserve such lands for the education, recreation, and pleasure of all its citizens. Our goal is to preserve and restore the nature of Kane County. The Operations and Maintenance Department has thirty-two (32) Maintenance – Field Operations seasonal positions available for the 2014 summer season. Locations, Grunwald Farms Forest Preserve, South Operations, Elburn, Illinois. Muirhead Springs Forest Preserve, North Operations, Hampshire, Illinois. Mows and maintains picnic areas, trails, parking lots, and roadways. Performs custodial work as required and assigned, including: cleaning & sanitizing rest rooms and replenishing supplies; cleaning spills; ground litter pick up and dumping garbage. Assists with semi-skilled maintenance and repairs of buildings and structures. Drives trucks and trailers to deliver equipment and materials to job sites. Operates various hand and power landscape and construction equipment. Insures proper maintenance of equipment and tools; performs routine inspection and preventative maintenance on assigned equipment. Assist with reservation room setup and take down for rental facilities. Maintains necessary records of work completed; maintains equipment log. Assists the public as needed. General labor. Performs other duties as required or assigned.

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**Filing Date:** Open.

**HORTICULTURIST/GARDEN SEASONAL:** Two (2) Temporary, Full-time Positions. Pay: \$8.25/hr. Dates: Spring/Summer 2014.

**Location:** Forest Preserve of Kane County, Illinois.

**Qual:** Ability to work outdoors under adverse weather conditions. Enthusiastic, courteous, positive attitude and team spirit. Must be 18 years of age or older. Current and valid Illinois driver's license that is free from suspension or revocation during term of employment; must maintain insurability with the District's fleet carrier.

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**Filing Date:** Open.

**VEGETATION/HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD TECHNICIAN:** Several Temporary, Full-time Positions. Pay & Dates: See Below.

**Location:** The Great Basin Institute and Nevada Department of Wildlife, Reno, Nevada.

**Qual:** Bachelor's degree or coursework in one of the major natural sciences; Understanding of basic principles related to the fields of botany, soil science, wildlife biology, geology, and/or hydrology; Applicants should possess some relevant or related field experience; Ability to navigate and set a bearing using a compass, navigate to predetermined locations using GPS, and read a topographical map; Ability

to communicate effectively, both written and orally, with a diverse audience; Physically fit to work outdoors, carry personal and field equipment, lift heavy gear, and withstand working and primitive camping for up to eight consecutive days in sometimes inclement weather during spring and summer in northern Nevada; and Meet AmeriCorps eligibility requirements: (1) U.S. citizenship or legal resident alien status, (2) eligible to receive an AmeriCorps Education Award (limit of four in a lifetime or equivalent of 2 full-time awards), and (3) pass National Sex Offender Public Registry (NSOPR) and federal criminal background checks.

**Duties:** In cooperation with the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), The Great Basin Institute is recruiting six AmeriCorps members to serve as part of an inter-disciplinary vegetation/habitat assessment team. The overall objective of this habitat assessment effort is to perform detailed vegetation and site data collection at locations where habitat restoration projects will be undertaken and at sites where restoration is underway. Sites for monitoring climate change will also be sampled. Restoration project sites are located in Wyoming sagebrush, pinyon-juniper woodlands and mountain sagebrush communities across northern Nevada. Restoration projects are focused on wildlife habitat including Sage Grouse (endangered species candidate), Mule deer, and a variety of non-game species. The vegetation and site data are used to help guide proper treatment design and to provide a baseline data set against which treatment effects may be measured. General field duties include walking long distances over uneven terrain, collecting GPS points, observing wildlife, identifying vegetative demographics and distribution, and taking photo-points. Sampling vegetation structure and composition will be the principle focus of field sampling, resulting in estimates for foliar cover, canopy gap, herbaceous and woody density, and plant species richness. Field data will be entered into the Database for Inventory, Monitoring and Assessment. This position will require travel to and from field sites and field camping in order to ensure that all transects are successfully completed during the field season. Implementation may require long hours including early mornings and weekends. The timeframe for field data collection will generally be 8 days on (Wed-Wed) – for travel to sampling region, field sampling and on-site camping, and return to GBI/NDOW in Reno – followed by 6 days off (Thu-Tue).  
**Timeline and Compensation:** 21-week positions (4): Contract length: May 5, 2014 - September 26, 2014, Living Allowance: \$5,750, AmeriCorps Education Award: \$2,114, Student loan forbearance, Housing Stipend: \$350/month. 15-week positions (2), Contract length: May 12, 2014 – August 22, 2014, Living Allowance: \$4,125, AmeriCorps Education Award: \$1,468, Student loan forbearance, Housing Stipend: \$350/month. AmeriCorps Education Award may be used for past, present or future education experiences, including payment of qualified federal student loans. The position will be based out of GBI's Reno, NV office. Field sites are located through northern Nevada, and may require several hours of travel time to access. Terrain is typical of the Great Basin with wide, long valleys bordered by mountain ranges. Field conditions include hot, arid days with high exposure to the sun. Resources include big game habitat, Wilderness Study Areas, active grazing allotments, abandoned mine lands, historic and prehistoric cultural sites, and wild horse management areas.

**Appl:** Send Cover Letter, Resume and 3 references.

**Contact:** The Great Basin Institute, Amy Gladding, GBI Human Resources Coordinator, at [agladding@thegreatbasininstitute.org](mailto:agladding@thegreatbasininstitute.org).

**Filing Date:** Open.