



September 4, 2020

NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: SEASONAL/TEMPORARY

Conservation Crew Member

Description of Opportunity:

Wild Arizona, under contract with AZ Department of Forestry and Fire Management and in partnership with the Tonto National Forest is working to control invasive Tamarisk and Oleander in Arnett Creek and Telegraph Canyon and is seeking two saw qualified crew members to work alongside Wild Arizona staff and volunteers.

This temporary-full time position is not expected to extend beyond January 15, 2021. Selected crew members will work 8-10-hour days (Wednesday to Wednesday), followed by 6 days off beginning November 11, 2020 for a total of 24 work-days/240 hours.

The selected individuals will be hired by Wild Arizona as Temporary-full time employees, and must supply their own work clothes, backpacks, hiking boots and camping gear. All specialty equipment such as chainsaws/PPE, hand tools, herbicide application equipment, group camping gear, etc. will be provided by Wild Arizona through the length of the project. Crew Members will be responsible for the care and return of any equipment provided by Wild Arizona.

Individuals with past or current experience working for Wildland Fire crews and/or Conservation Corp Crews (Tamarisk eradication crews) are highly encouraged to apply.

At a minimum you **MUST** possess a current USFS Class A Chainsaw card to be considered for this position.

Project Locations Arnett Creek - Tonto National Forest

Project Start Date November 10, 2020

Project End Date December 16, 2020 - May be extended based on weather conditions and funding

Compensation: This position will be paid \$16 per hour and food reimbursements not exceeding \$28/day.

Program Overview:

Wild Arizona's mission is to protect, link, and restore wild lands and waters across Arizona and beyond, for the enrichment and health of all citizens, and to ensure Arizona's native plants and animals a lasting home in wild nature. We organize and amplify multi-community voices of support for legislation and special designations; advocate for conservation science-based environmental policy and planning; and cultivate stewardship, social/environmental awareness, and well-being through outdoor volunteerism, science, and education.

We seek employees who demonstrate high standards in work quality, diligence, reliability, compassion, excellent judgement, and a desire to care for the environment.

Project Description:

This project is part of an ongoing riparian restoration project that began in 2016 and will consist of the cutting of both fully grown and re-sprouted tamarisk and oleander plants with chainsaws/hand tools and applying herbicide to cut-stumps along a 2 mile section of Arnett Creek, a desert riparian canyon, and half a mile of Telegraph Canyon, a tributary of Arnett Creek.

Essential Accountabilities and Functions:

Required Skills & Qualifications

- Required to walk on uneven, slippery terrain, kneel for extended periods of time
- Required to use hands to operate tools such as chainsaws, hand saws, pruners, picks and shovels
- Lift and carry 50 plus pounds of gear and equipment over rugged terrain up to 3-6 miles daily.
- At a minimum you must possess a valid and current USFS Class A Sawyer Card – Class B preferred.
- Must be able to speak, read, and write English
- Physically fit and able to work long days in adverse weather conditions
- High school diploma or GED certificate
- Must have a valid driver's license
- Ability to work both independently and as a team member
- Sense of humor and desire to make a positive impact for the environment

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience in Conservation Corps, Youth Corps, Student Conservation Corps, Wildland Firefighting, or similar work experience
- Familiar with basic conservation skills, including tool/chainsaw maintenance.
- Federal driver's license and current defensive driving certification

Employment at Wild Arizona is exclusively based upon qualifications and competency. We are seeking candidates who have a commitment to engage with us to create a just and inclusive work environment and world.

Wild Arizona provides all people with equal employment and volunteer opportunities and does not discriminate against anyone in treatment, hiring, training, assignment, compensation, promotional opportunities, employee benefits, recall from layoff, discharge and discipline, or any other term and condition of employment on the basis of race, religion, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, color, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, parental status, veteran status, union activity, political affiliation, physical or mental disability unrelated to an individual's ability to perform the job with or without reasonable accommodation, or any other basis prohibited by law. We encourage all people with the essential skills/qualifications and commitment, including Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, to apply.

Please submit your cover letter, resume and two references to brian@wildarizona.org or by mail to:

Wild Arizona
PO Box 40340
Tucson, AZ 85717

Applications must be submitted or postmarked by October 9, 2020.