



Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District - *JOB ANNOUNCEMENT*

NATURAL RESOURCES INTERN

Temporary

Pay Range: \$19.51 - \$24.36 per hour*, Non-benefited

Anticipated Interview Date: September 26, 2016

Recruitment Period: Online applications will be accepted via CalOpps.org starting September 6, 2016. The application period will close September 19, 2016 at 5:00 pm, **OR** after 50 qualified applications are received. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply early as the application window may close at any time.

About the Position: The Natural Resources Intern will work on plant, wildlife, archeology and/or ecological restoration projects. Responsibilities include identifying plant and animal species and plant pathogens in the field, GIS mapping, researching and preparing written summaries of local species, collecting data and organizing it in spreadsheets and databases, and supporting biological staff in the organization of records, maintenance of equipment, and preparation of written reports. Work duties will provide training in a broad range of natural resource management techniques, environmental analysis, habitats, and tools.

Pay and Benefits: This is a temporary position working 20 – 40 hours per week, which will extend up to a total of 1,000 hours over a 9-month period. Financial compensation for this position is \$19.51 - \$24.36 per hour, depending on qualifications. Benefits are not included.

Basic Requirements: Internships are open to applications from current students or recent graduates (within the last 12 months). Successful candidates will have a background in biology, ecology, environmental studies, park management, planning or another related field; and experience with biological field survey techniques. This position requires the ability to identify common plants and animals of California (with an emphasis on plants and plant pathogens), and skill in interpreting scientific reports and writing summaries. Experience with ArcGIS software and mapping natural resources with GPS equipment are a plus. Possession of or ability to obtain a valid California driver's license.

Working Conditions: Work is divided between District administrative offices in a group working environment and field visits to survey, map, and collect field data. Fieldwork is conducted in rural or mountainous District open space areas, which may involve working alone in wild land areas and traversing rough, difficult terrain sometimes with poison oak and dense vegetation.

About the District: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is an independent special district created by the voters of northwestern Santa Clara County in 1972, joined in 1976 by southern San Mateo County, and most recently expanded to the San Mateo coast side in 2004. The District's purpose is *"To acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land in perpetuity; protect and restore the natural environment; and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education."* The District owns and manages over 60,000 acres of land in 26 open space preserves. Activities on the open space preserves include hiking, cycling, horseback riding, picnicking, jogging and nature study.

How to Apply: Apply online at CalOpps.org. To visit the District's page directly on CalOpps go to - https://www.calopps.org/profile_agency.cfm?id=82

Applicants with the most relevant experience and qualifications suitable for the position will be contacted for interviews.

Interviews are planned for September 26, 2016. We suggest planning your calendar accordingly.

*Starting pay rate will be determined by candidate qualifications and experience. This is a non-benefited position.

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Applicants with disabilities may request reasonable accommodation by contacting the Human Resources department.

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