

# CAREERS CONNECT

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A Weekly on Jobs and Resources

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Students, Colleagues and Peers: In this issue we feature opportunities in state civil service, non-profits and private industry. DEVELOPING STORY: USDA will place all terminated probationary employees in pay status and provide each with back pay, from the date of termination, for 45 days. Weekly issues of Career Connects are archived here.

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**LIFE TIP:** We sometimes forget that we are much more than the sum of our responsibilities or the titles we hold (e.g., daughter, parent, supervisor). If your life has revolved around your career – perhaps because it was gratifying or simply demanding – then losing a job can be extremely disorienting. In this transitional time between positions, remind yourself of the rest of you that makes you whole. When you get back on your feet, life will speed up again. Now is a good time to remember the things that make you laugh, rest and heal.

## Big Sky Fire Fuels Crew ««« (deadline March 20)

Applications for seasonal wildfire mitigation crews are open in the big sky country of Montana. Crew boss positions (\$30 hourly) from April-October; fuel technicians (\$25 hourly) start in May. Benefits and housing. Interviews start in early April.

## »»» Grand Canyon State/AZ

AZ's Dept of Forestry & Fire Management has 12 seasonal firefighter positions in Apache Junction, Tucson and Douglas (deadline: March 21; \$12.26-\$17.60); a full-time Flagstaff-based Fire Crew Captain (resume review begins March 19; \$17.68-\$23.80). Also check out positions in Dept. of Environmental Quality, Game & Fish Dept., and AZ Parks & Trails.



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# IN THE SPOTLIGHT

- [Zeigler Geologic Consulting](#), LLC is offering up to 2 summer internships (starts at \$17 hourly) for environmental science work, including groundwater resource management in northeastern New Mexico. Applicants must provide a resume by May 1, and complete an interview. Internship dates are flexible; approximately June-August. Email: [zeiglergeo@gmail.com](mailto:zeiglergeo@gmail.com).
- [Animas Environmental Services](#) is seeking an [Environmental Project Manager](#) with hybrid location in Farmington, NM, or remote with travel to Four Corners; full-time/part-time with benefits. Minimum B.S. with 5 years' experience (note: inquire about M.S. equivalency); experience with Clean Water Act, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and pollution/discharge/spills.

## VOLUNTEER OPPS:

March 15 @ 9 AM - 2 PM  
Valle De Oro Wildlife Refuge  
[ABQ Wildlife Federation](#)

March 23 @ 10 AM - 12 Noon  
River Stewards  
[Santa Fe River Cleanup](#)

- [SWCA Environmental Consultants](#) is a national organization currently listing 5 positions in NM:
  - [Natural Resources Technician](#)
  - [Staff Level Biologist](#)
  - [Senior Biologist](#)
  - [Lead Water Resources Scientist](#)
  - [Environmental Planner - NEPA](#)

## ➤➤➤ ADDITIONAL POSTINGS (ALPHABETICAL ORDER):

- Ciudad SWCD is looking for a [Grow the Grower Program](#) Coordinator (20-30 hours weekly, agricultural education) and [Agriculture Program Assistant](#) (20 hours in Spring/40 hours in Summer, youth programming)
- [Pajarito Environmental Education Center](#) is looking for [Summer Camp Counselors](#) targeting 1st through 8th graders (apply by April 3)
- Santa Fe-based [Quivira Coalition](#) is seeking a Development Director with 3-5 years fundraising experience.
- TRC is seeking to fill a high-level [New Mexico Team Leader](#) position in planning, permitting and licensing with 10+ years' work experience.

## STEM CAREERS EXPLORATION

March 27 / 10 AM - 3 PM @ NMHU's ARMAS Center

## ➤➤➤ MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR NMHU & ALUMNI

Dear students: We understand that the recent federal layoffs may have significantly impacted you and your family, and we want you to know that New Mexico Highlands University is here to support you during this challenging time. To better understand your needs and explore how we can assist, we are hosting a listening session where you can share your experiences, express concerns, and help us identify the best ways to provide support.

Listening Session Details:

Date: March 20 Time: 12:00PM Location: SUB 321 Zoom: <https://nmhu.zoom.us/j/2722304847>

## FREE MEMBERSHIPS

Current and/or recently separated federal employees, take note:

- [American Meteorological Society](#) is waiving its 2025 professional membership dues – access to AMS Career Portal, job board and early access job announcements
- [Talking Points Memo](#) free one-year membership
- [Slate Plus](#) 6 months complimentary access

## ➤➤➤ MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR NMHU

- CARES Counseling: [cares@nmhu.edu](mailto:cares@nmhu.edu) | 505-454-3006
- After-Hours Crisis Line (Available 24/7): 505-795-3665
- Student Health Clinic (Medical & Mental Health Services - Sunrise Clinic): 505-454-3218 | 901 Baca Ave, Las Vegas, NM 87701
- BetterMynd: Free, confidential online therapy services available to NMHU students. Students can schedule virtual counseling sessions with licensed mental health professionals. Register at [www.BetterMynd.com](http://www.BetterMynd.com) using your NMHU email

## ➤➤➤ MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR ALL

- NM Crisis & Access Line (24/7 Licensed Clinicians): 1-855-662-7474 (855-NMCRISIS); <https://naminewmexico.org/crisis-info/>
- Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (Call or Text 988): [988lifeline.org](http://988lifeline.org)

## FAQS FOR THE NEAR-TERM

- Fired NM-based biologist: [cuts already hurting state conservation](#)
- [NSF brings back 84 fire workers](#)
- Refresh Your Resume – Current Best Practices from [Life Kit](#)
- [NM Unemployment](#)

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