

CAREERS CONNECT

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A Weekly on Jobs and Resources

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Students, Colleagues and Peers: Non-profits, higher ed and private industry feature in this week's issue. Weekly issues of Career Connects are archived [here](#).

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LIFE TIP: "Take up space. Pitch it faster. Run harder. Put another plate on the bar. And never tone it down." ~ [Ilona Maher](#) and 2025 ESPY's Best Breakthrough Athlete

»»» Center for Environmental Health Monitoring and Management (multi positions): This non-profit is seeking to fill 4 positions in southern NM:

- Environmental Services Manager is a full-time position with benefits based in Carlsbad to develop and implement project scope/goals/deliverables, manage contractors, provide oversight, and manage technical assessments and reporting. Candidates with Bachelor's + 7 years' experience (salary: \$75K-\$133K annually; open till filled).
- Range Conservation Scientist is a full-time position with benefits based in Milnesand to develop and implement grazing operations, rangeland habitat enhancements, manage data collection and analyses. Candidates with Bachelor's + 5 years' experience (salary: \$58,656K-\$90K annually; open till filled).
- Natural Resource Specialist is a full-time field-based position with benefits based in Carlsbad. This position conducts a wide variety of surveys (e.g., burrowing owls, lesser prairie chickens, cave and karst, water and soil, etc.), plus some planning and consultations. Candidates with Bachelor's + 2 years' experience (salary: \$25-\$30 p/hr; open till filled).
- Environmental Services Field Technician is a full-time entry-level position with benefits based in Carlsbad. This position provides strong foundational experience in conducting surveys, monitoring, mapping and data organization. Mentoring and training provided (salary: \$22-\$27 p/hr; open till filled).

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Wildland Fire Science full-time faculty position at Western NM Univ. is an excellent option for early career academics looking to grow and refine their teaching skills and experience while based within a stone's throw of the rugged wilderness of the Gila Wilderness (salary: \$62,689 annually).

➤➤➤ Other Positions:

- Contract biologist with Santa Fe-based Permits West with strong NEPA and ESA background (salary DOE, deadline: 8/6)
- On-call Wetland Delineation Specialist with Eocene Environmental (\$30-45 p/hr); field locations throughout the Southwest
- Pharmacists Staff III at ABQ's UNM Medical (salary: \$63.47-82.51 p/hr)

HANDS-ON RESTORATION PROJECT:

Head to higher elevation this summer with an Aug. 15-17 weekend at Midnight Meadows in the Carson National Forest with AWF

➤➤➤ Fellowships & Scholarships:

- Christine Mirzayan Science & Technology Graduate Fellowship is open for applications through 8/20 for a full-time, 12-week workforce training with the National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine in DC (Spring 2026) for early career individuals
- 2026 David H. Smith Conservation Research Fellowship Program is seeking early career postdocs for two-year fully funded with salary, benefits and research/travel budget; apply by September 30, 2025.
- LAST CALL for EENM Fellowship program, closing tomorrow

➤➤➤ Funding & Scholarship Opportunities:

In an era of how to do the work with diminishing funding resources, here are recently announced opportunities to boost/bridge funding for your work:

- Grasslands Conservation Reserve Program is open through 8/8 for agricultural producers conserving rangeland for conservation benefit
- Rooted Together with ABQ Community Foundation is accepting applications through 8/14 for place-based proposals that can catalyze community change (\$200K for two years)
- FARMpreneurs Strategic Spring week-long bootcamp for community-based farmers to grow leadership and entrepreneurial skills; apply by 8/31

If you know of job opportunities or have a request for a type of resource that can be added to this newsletter, please reach out to Shantini Ramakrishnan (shantinir@nmhu.edu)



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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES & WEBINARS

- Aug 7, 630-830 PM, Thirsty for Thought is a community science event on wildfire smoke at Painted Lady Bed & Brew
- Aug. 14, 10 AM – 12 Noon, webinar Seed and Soils
- Aug. 11-15, Plant Associations of Southwestern Forests, at Phimont Scout Ranch in Cimarron
 - Register with mary.stuever@emnrd.nm.gov (w/ name, email, phone number, job title, affiliation, address); USFS employees should cc: jamesyoutz@usda.gov
- Aug 15-16, Rancher Led Grazing Management & Prescribed Burn workshop in Santa Rosa, NM
- Aug. 16, 930 AM & 1 PM for First Fort and Arsenal Tours with Ft. Union National Monument
- Aug 21-22, 43rd Annual Meeting of the Mountain West Society of Toxicology at Hotel ABQ
- Aug. 23, Bear Fest at Los Alamos Nature Center
- Aug. 23, Pajarito Astronomers' monthly Dark Night is open to the public
- Aug. 26, 10 AM webinar on Fuels to Flows: Bringing Nature-based Restoration to the Headwaters
- Aug. 26, 11 AM webinar Federal News Network Workforce Reimagined
- Aug 27 @ 12 noon webinar on Stop, Drop, and Roll Out of Biocrust Sods: Targeting the Grass-Fire Cycle Through Soil-Surface Rehabilitation
- Aug 30, 11 AM-1230 PM workshop on Grazing on Challenging Landscapes at Badger Creek, CO

CALL TO ACTION

- Mentor a teen storyteller with Global Co Lab Network
- Stand Up for Science: NASA Voyager Declaration, NIH Bethesda Declaration, EPA Declaration of Dissent

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR NMHU COMMUNITY

- CARES Counseling: 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

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR ALL

- NM Crisis & Access Line: 1-855-662-7474 (855-NMCRISIS);
- Peer-to-Peer Warmline is free and confidential service with a NM Certified Peer Support Worker; 7-1130 AM & 6-11 PM daily (1-855-466-7100)
- Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (Call or Text 988): 988lifeline.org

FAQS FOR THE NEAR-TERM

- Forest Service to abandon nine regional offices
- Long-awaited RIF list reveals few new details about agencies' downsizing plans
- Court filing details what layoffs were sought at over a dozen agencies
- EPA eliminates research and development office, begins layoffs
- Conservation group gives high scores to NM lawmakers
- NM Unemployment