

# CAREER CONNECTS

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A Weekly on Jobs and Resources

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Students, Colleagues and Peers: a mix of early, mid and late career options plus summer camp applications and educator resources. Weekly Weekly issues of Career Connects are archived [here](#).

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**LIFE TIP: As the grown-ups of the world, our greatest and most sacred responsibility is to take care of the children of the world - not just the ones who live near us, not just the ones who look like us, and never only the ones people deem acceptable to care about. ~ Ms. Rachel**

## »»» John T. Harrington Forestry Research Center, Mora (\$15.45 p/hr; deadline: 4/10)

Temporary position, up to 29 weeks, from June through November, to conduct seedling physiology measurements, support forestry fieldwork and seedling surveys, maintain research site and assist at the seedling nursery. Submit cover letter, resume and 2 references to Dr. Jennifer Peters ([petersj@nmsu.edu](mailto:petersj@nmsu.edu)).

## NM Forest & Watershed Restoration Institute (NMFWR)



- NMFWR's Ecological Monitoring Technicians will collect data across forested, grassland, and riparian ecosystems in wildly scenic places. Fieldwork is complimented by data processing/analysis/dissemination. A BS in Natural Resources or equivalent experience, with familiarity in ecological monitoring (salary: \$18.76+ p/hr DOE + per diem + allowance); two (2) full-time seasonal positions from April-Sept.
- Monitoring Aides are summer positions for sophomores/juniors/seniors currently enrolled at NMHU. Gain robust experience in ecological monitoring, plant ID skills, data entry/management/quality control, and working safely in the backcountry. Also build life skills in inter-personal dynamics, and gain confidence in fieldwork. Candidates should be enthusiastic about working outdoors, committed to collecting quality field data, be dependable and reliable and attentive to details (salary: \$15-\$16.50 p/hr DOE + per diem + allowance); four (4) full-time seasonal positions from May-Aug.



*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](mailto:shantinir@nmhu.edu))*

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- [Interns, HawkMoth Farm](#) – up to 2 positions at this Anton Chico farm, with preferred availability from April-October (minimum: 1-month availability); room and board provided. Interns who are able to work 25+ hours weekly with demonstrated work performance also qualify for a stipend. Gain experience in lambing, milking sheep, shearing, butchering sheep, livestock care, pruning, seed processing, prepping hoop houses and fields, infrastructure projects, making cheese, processing wool, planting, weeding, harvesting, farmers market, etc.
- [Digital Marketing Manager](#), Audubon NM (salary: \$72K-\$82K annually). Hybrid position located within commuting distances from ABQ, Santa Fe or Phoenix, AZ. Leads digital engagement, targeted marketing campaigns, and optimizes reach and impact.

## CLOSING SOON:

- **Early career ecologist/student services contractor, USGS NM Landscapes Field Station** (\$38.52 p/hr, deadline: 3/27) - Candidates must have graduated within the last 12 months or enrolled at least part-time in college. Master's degree required in Ecology, Geography, Environmental Sciences, Forestry, Biology or related field. Experience in vegetation monitoring, data analysis in R, and scientific writing, along with field crew supervision experience. Must be US citizen, national or legal resident, with valid driver's license and ability to pass federal background check. Based at Bandelier National Monument in Los Alamos; term runs approx. 6/20-26-2/28/27. Submit cover letter, resume and 3 references to Ellis Margolis, [emargolis@usgs.gov](mailto:emargolis@usgs.gov) (subject line: Student Contractor).

## Forest Stewards Guild

- [Southwest Prescribed Fire Project Coordinator](#) (salary: \$57K-\$70,720 annually, deadline: 3/30) is based in Santa Fe and grows fire-adapted communities and landscapes through prescribed burns, training and education, collaboration and active fire management
- [Southwest Forestry and Fuels Coordinator](#), Forest Stewards Guild (salary: \$27.50-\$30.75 p/hr, deadline: 3/30) is a hybrid full-time position based in Santa Fe, northern NM or southern CO, which supports the 2-3-2 Cohesive Strategy Partnership and the Rio Chama Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program (CFLRP)

## Summer Camps:

- [Mountain Friends Camp](#), Collins Lake Ranch, Mora (deadline: 3/31)
  - July 1-4 Family Camp
  - July 6-18 Youth Camp Session
  - July 18-23 Adventure Camp
- [QCaMP for students](#), June 29-July 24, ABQ, high school students 16+ (deadline: 4/3 [application](#)).
- Week-long summer camps at the [Randall Audubon Center & Sanctuary](#) in Santa Fe from 6/1-7/31
- [Day camps with Pajarito Environmental Education Center](#):
  - Pathfinders PEECachu, June 8-12 (Grades 1-3)
  - Pathfinders Block Party, June 29-July 3 (Grades 1-3)
  - Nature Odyssey Outdoor ARTventure, June 22-26 (Grades 4-6)
  - Space Camp, July 6-10 (Grades 4-6)
  - Living Earth Adventure Program, June 8-12 (Grades 7-8)
  - Space Camp 2.0, June 22-26 (Grades 7-8)

## HANDS ON RESTORATION PROJECTS

**Santa Fe Conservation Trust  
workshop, March 28, 9 AM-3 PM  
Erosion Control Structures,  
Dovetail, 268 Thornton Ranch Rd  
Questions/details:  
[melissa@sfct.org](mailto:melissa@sfct.org) / 505-989-7019**

## ➤➤➤ SCHOLARSHIPS, STIPENDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- [Summer Community College Opportunity for Research Experience \(SSCORE\)](#) is open to pre-transfer community college students seeking to gain research experiences through 8-week summer internships. Students live on campus, attend a one-credit class and receive mentorship from a faculty member. Participating universities include: NMSU, NM Tech and UNM. Students are expected to work 20-30 hours weekly, participate in workshops, plus complete and present a research poster. \$2,200 stipend and meal allowance (+ room and board if placed at university away of hometown); must be enrolled in 6 credit hours minimum this semester, maintain a GPA 2.7 minimum, and be a US citizen/permanent resident (deadline: 4/24)
- [Appleton-Whittell Research Ranch Fellowship](#) supports early career scientists with annual research stipends (\$1K), free on-ranch housing and mentorship. Must be between 18-30 years, conducting research in southeast AZ, have strong conservation ethic, and commitment to scientific rigor (deadline: 3/30)

CLOSING SOON:

[2026 NMAA Los Sembradores Farmer Training Program](#), grow your skills as a traditional acequia farmer in Northern NM in this 8-month program with 3 workshops per month, more info [here](#) (deadline: 3/27)

## ➤➤➤ FUNDING & GRANT 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:

CLOSING SOON:

- [FY27 Math Lab Grants](#) support quality teaching and practice in mathematics. Grants up to \$200K per school site (deadline: 3/26)
- [AFRI Strengthening Agricultural Systems](#) priorities include new uses and expanding markets for agriculture and forestry products; solutions to pests and diseases; combating food and diet-related chronic diseases; AI for K-12 food and agricultural sciences (deadline: 3/26; awards range from \$1M - \$10 M)
- [Rio Grande Project Drought Resilience Efforts Initiative](#) aims to create and/or sustain habitat and promote watershed health + reduce damage from flooding/sedimentation or promote aquifer recharge through storm water management or improve water management infrastructure (deadline: 3/26; minimum \$100K projects)

## ➤➤➤ LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES & WEBINARS:

- March 26, 11 AM-12 PM, Fire Lab Seminar Series: [ClassiFiRxe: a data-driven tool to support prescribed fire planning and implementation](#)
- March 26, 11 AM-12 PM, webinar [How to Actively Manage Semi-arid Rangeland](#), Quivira Coalition
- March 26, 2-3:30 PM, virtual [Pinyon-Juniper Management Network Launch Meeting](#) to launch the Pinyon-Juniper Management Network

## ➤➤➤ LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES & WEBINARS (CONT.):

- March 27, 9-10:30 AM, webinar [FCoP Fabulous Fuels Friday: 3D Fuels LiDAR Mapping, FastFuels, & QuicFire Updates](#)
- March 27, 7-8 PM, [Strange New Worlds: NASA's Exploration of the Solar System](#), Los Alamos Nature Center Planetarium, \$6 child/\$8 adult/\$20 family
- March 28, 10 AM-12 PM, [Habitat Farms and Central NM Birders present: A Bird Nest Box making workshop!](#) Open space Visitor Center, Albuquerque
- [2026 Annual National Conference](#), From Ancestral Knowledge to Emerging Technology: Sustaining Native Fish & wildlife (early bird rates end March 31)
- April 1, [2026 Summer Physics camp app deadline](#)
- April 2, [2026 Spring Wetlands Roundtable](#)
- April 2, [Fire and Fire Surrogate Studies and SageSTEP: The Benefits of Long-Term Fire Research Webinar](#), Joint Fire Science Program
- April 2, 9 AM-5 PM, [Wetland Discussion Forum: Valuing Wetlands in the Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar](#), hybrid event
- April 2, 530-830 PM, [Living with Beaver](#), Upper Chama SWCD in Tierra Amarilla
- April 2, webinar [Traditional Ecological Knowledge in the Fire World](#)
- April 2, 11 AM-12:30 PM, [Joint Fire Science Program Webinar](#), Fire and Fire Surrogate Studies and SageSTEP: The Benefits of Long-Term Fire Research Webinar
- April 3, 9-10:30 AM, webinar [FCoP Fabulous Fuels Friday: Understanding the Key Performance Indicator-Fuels](#)
- April 4, [NM Outdoor Festival and Skills Competition](#), Legacy Ranch, Edgewood, NM
- April 5, 7-10 AM, [Bird Walk at Los Luceros](#)

### FAQS FOR THE NEAR-TERM

- Survey shows [federal employees disengaged, dissatisfied](#)
- NM Legislative session ends with [significant investments in rivers and habitat](#)
- Conservation group asks federal commission to [re-evaluate NM's utility's \\$400M stock sale](#)
- NM AG joins [lawsuit against EPA over refusal to regulate](#) greenhouse gasses
- FEMA to [relaunch climate resiliency grants](#), complying with court orders
- [NM Unemployment](#)

### MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

#### NM COMMUNITY

NM Crisis & Access Line: 1-855-662-7474 (855-NMCRISIS);  
Peer-to-Peer Warmline: 7-1130 AM & 6-11 PM daily (1-855-466-7100)  
[Guidanceresources.com](#) provides 24/7 support, resources and information for all NM state employees  
Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (Call or Text 988): [988lifeline.org](#)

#### NMHU COMMUNITY

CARES Counseling: [cares@nmhu.edu](mailto:cares@nmhu.edu) | 505-454-3006  
After-Hours Crisis Line (Available 24/7): 505-795-3665  
Sunrise Clinic): 505-454-3218, 901 Baca Ave, Las Vegas