



**Idaho Conservation Corps – AmeriCorps Conservation Intern  
Payette National Forest – Council Ranger District  
Council, Idaho**

**Position Title:** Biological Technician (Weeds) – 900 HR

**Position Summary:**

The Payette National Forest is recruiting one Biological Technician (Weeds) summer/fall intern from May 28<sup>th</sup> through October 26<sup>th</sup> 2018. The incumbent will be paired with a Forest Service Employee to identify, document, map, and treat noxious weed infestations. This position will typically work four ten hour days per week (Monday through Thurs).

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

The intern will conduct field surveys to identify, document, map, and treat noxious weed infestations. The intern will also collect data using GPS technology and assist in the maintenance and inspection of fence. Operates a variety of field equipment commonly used in treating, preventing, and eradicating noxious weeds such as all-terrain vehicles (ATV's), utility terrain vehicles (UTV's), herbicide application equipment, GPS equipment, and cameras.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Willingness to work as part of a small team and occasionally alone
- Current driver's license.
- Good written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to lift and carry up to 30lbs
- Ability to work outdoors in remote settings and inclement weather on uneven ground
- Intern may travel to other duty stations during the work week and remain over-night occasionally

**Desired Qualifications:**

- Previous experience using GPS and GIS
- Previous experience operating ATV's or UTV's.
- Noxious weed and plant identification
- Strong interest in resource management.

**Duty/Housing Location:**

Duties are performed out of the Council Ranger District Council, Idaho. Housing is provided in bunkhouses with a common kitchen and shared bedrooms located in Council.

**Terms of Employment:**

One AmeriCorps member will complete a term of service (length dependent on commitment of hours), starting May 28<sup>th</sup> through October 26<sup>th</sup> 2018. The member must complete a minimum of 900 service hours by the end of their term.

**Program Benefits:**

\$6,250 living allowance dispersed on a monthly basis, a \$2,887.50 education award upon completion of the 900 hours of service. The incumbent will receive training in CPR/First Aid & defensive driving. Housing is provided.

The living allowance and education award are taxable. Members are responsible for providing their own food. Service eligibility is contingent upon the results of a criminal and driving background check.

The member will not engage in any prohibited activities as stated in the Member Service Agreement.

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