Regarding the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19:
Northwest Youth Corps and Idaho Conservation Corps are continuing to monitor and respond to the spread of the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19. We encourage you to not to delay your application for future programs that interest you. We soon expect to be running our crews and internships effectively and successfully even as our country reassesses the “new normal” of living our lives with Covid-19. Should you apply successfully and later on feel that you are not yet ready to join our program there is no cost or penalty. To learn more, please visit: https://www.nwyouthcorps.org/m/covid19.

Position Summary:
Summer 2020 · The National Parks Service is currently recruiting two interns that will support the Natural Resource Management Program. The selected interns will assist with management of natural resources at Craters of the Moon National Park (CRMO). The work will be field oriented with the majority assisting the vegetation and wildlife programs.

Background:
The geologic landscape, wildlife, and vegetation at CRMO are unique resources that visitors come to enjoy every year. The resource management team deals with a variety of tasks from wildlife to vegetation monitoring. Interns will get the opportunity to assist these tasks as well as others the entire program deals with as well as other facets of resource management in the NPS.

The vegetation team focuses on forest health, invasive plant management, and restoration efforts. The wildlife team focuses on bat surveys, pronghorn migration, and breeding bird surveys. Interns will assist on these projects along with any other tasks that come up.

Duties and Responsibilities:
General Resource Management (20%)
- Work in a team and with park staff to aid in all resource management activities at Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve;
  - Assist other resource programs and other divisions as needed such as the cultural resources, education staff, and interpretation staff.
  - Preparing information on resource activities to co-workers and the public.

Vegetation Management (40%)
- Work in a team and with park staff to treat invasive plants at Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve;
  - Survey, identify, map exotic vegetation
  - Treat exotic vegetation through hand-pulling, cutting, or herbicide application
  - Document treatments and update files and GIS layers
  - Maintain equipment
  - If interested, will be able to study and test for the Idaho Pesticide Applicator’s License
- Work in a team to monitor forest health
  - Survey, identify, map native vegetation
  - Hazard tree surveys
  - Tussock moth monitoring
  - Document and update files
- Restoration
  - Spread native seed mixes in disturbed areas
  - Seed collection
  - Plant seedlings in disturbed areas
- Other duties
  - Preparing information (print and/or oral) for sharing with public about invasives at CRMO

Wildlife Management (40%)
- Work in a team and with park staff to aid in all resource management activities at Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve;
  - Assist with wildlife surveys (bat and breeding bird).
  - Monitor pronghorn migration through use of game cameras.
  - Documenting on resource findings/activities.
- Other duties
  - Preparing information (print and/or oral) for sharing with public about wildlife at CRMO

Approximately 10-15 nights will be spent camping.

Required Qualifications:
Ability to work outdoors in remote settings and inclement weather on uneven ground
Willingness to work independently in an outdoor setting
Ability to lift and carry up to 50 lbs
Experience reading maps and attention to detail
Good written and verbal communication skills and a positive attitude
Current Driver's license
Willingness to submit to a government background survey

Desired Qualifications:
- Knowledge of Northwest natural resources and plants
- Knowledge in wildlife survey techniques
- Coursework in biology, botany, wildlife biology, and a strong interest in conservation
- Previous experience using GPS units
- Experience with basic land navigation equipment and/or methods

Duty location:
Craters of the Moon National Park - Arco, Idaho

Park Housing:
Shared housing will be provided as part of the internship at no cost to the interns.

Term of Service:
April 20, 2020 – September 21, 2020 (22 weeks)

Program Benefits:
A total living allowance of $11,000 divided on a monthly basis. The living allowance is taxable. Members are responsible for providing their own food. Service eligibility is contingent upon the results of a criminal and driving background check.

To apply:
Please visit https://www.idahocc.org/interns and scroll to the Application Form, then select “Craters Natural Resources” as the position applied for.

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