

SUMMER RESEARCH ASSISTANT POSITIONS

USDA Forest Service
Rocky Mountain Research Station
Great Basin Ecosystem Management Project

The Positions:

Research assistants for field and lab work with the riparian plant ecology, pinyon-juniper ecology, invasive species, and fire history studies of the Great Basin Ecosystem Management Project. Work includes sampling vegetation and soils in central Nevada watersheds near Austin, Nevada, laboratory processing of the collected materials, and data entry. You may be eligible for academic credit-talk to your advisor. Hours: Full time (40 hrs/wk) from mid/late May until classes resume at the end of August. Some part time before and after this period is possible. Pay: \$10.52 - \$13.21/hr depending on education and experience.

Qualifications:

Interest in working with plants required, knowledge of native Nevada plant species desirable. Familiarity with field plant and soil data collection techniques and lab processing techniques. Computer skills, especially MS Excel. Good physical condition, including ability to work outdoors for extended periods of time in varying weather conditions. This will include hiking long distances in rough terrain with sampling gear and samples. Low-impact camping skills. Availability for extended field work, up to five days (usually Monday-Friday). Good driving record. Some experience with 4WD vehicles is desirable. Must be registered as at least a half-time student.

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