

RESTORATION COORDINATOR

TYPE

Full-time, 40 hrs/week

SALARY/BENEFITS

Based on education and experience. Range is \$50,000 - \$54,000/year plus benefits including Group Health Insurance plan, 403(b)7 retirement (RiversEdge West will match 50% of employee contribution up to 15%), holiday and paid time off (vacation and sick), family/medical leave program, flexible work schedule, professional development opportunities, and employee assistance program.

LOCATION

Grand Junction, Colorado

APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

Please send cover letter, resume, and three references in one document via email to rlloyd@riversedgewest.org, with the title "Last Name_RC_Application_2024". Word and PDF files only.

Applications will be reviewed starting February 15th, 2024. However, applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

ABOUT RIVERSEDGE WEST

RiversEdge West (REW) is the leading nonprofit working to protect the quality and ecological integrity of riparian lands as an important means to promote the economic, social, and cultural well-being of communities in the Western U.S.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

REW is seeking a creative and outgoing leader to join their high functioning team making positive impacts on rivers in the West. The candidate should be collaborative in nature and possess strong project management and technical and grant writing skills, as well as broad knowledge of riparian and/or ecological restoration. The Restoration Coordinator will work with REW staff and local leads from other organizations and agencies to support restoration efforts in Colorado and Utah.

Specifically, this position's focus will be working with restoration partnerships comprised of public, private, corporate, and Tribal entities to plan and implement riparian restoration projects, work with partners to determine long-term goals, track ecological conditions, and fundraise for partnership needs. Many of the partnerships REW works with have multiple goals aiming to improve the health of valuable river systems and the communities that depend on them. This position will also support the organization through assistance with technical workshops and a biennial conference, which provides hands-on and state-of-the-science riparian restoration information for restoration professionals.



PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

Primary responsibilities described below may also include support for other RiversEdge West programs. Some responsibilities and/or qualifications may change depending on the individual and/or specific needs as they relate to projects. All the responsibilities described require strong written and verbal communication skills.

- Plan, coordinate, lead and facilitate partnership/watershed stakeholder meetings in conjunction with local leads and/or core teams
- Coordinate with land managers and their respective agencies to plan, develop funding for, and implement watershed-scale restoration projects
- Work with and manage conservation corps and other contractors
- Communicate and coordinate with natural resource managers, landowners, elected and agency officials on the state, local, and federal level, including public presentations
- Plan, coordinate, and execute hands-on riparian restoration workshops
- Write grants and support other funding development activities (e.g., sponsorships, donor tours, events)
- Research, coordinate, draft and/or edit technical papers, reports, and planning documents
- Manage multi-year budgets associated with watershed partnerships
- Assist on other projects in coordination with REW staff such as outreach, fundraising, web content development, workshop/conference logistics, reporting, and updates to funders and land managers

QUALIFICATIONS

- High-level of communication and organizational skills
- High level of project management skills
- Demonstrated ability to work as an integral team member
- Experience serving in a leadership role, including the facilitation of collaborative stakeholder meetings and/or partnership interactions with diverse participants
- Strong technical knowledge of western US riparian ecology
- Familiarity with public and private land use (e.g. riparian management, grazing, agricultural production, resource management, passive/active recreational uses)
- Experience in planning, implementing and/or managing restoration projects
- Experience managing budgets
- Experience with vegetation monitoring techniques and protocols
- Proficient in computer programs including Microsoft Office Suite, Esri GIS software (primarily ArcGIS Online, ArcMap, and Field Maps), and other mobile mapping programs

SPECIAL JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Must be willing to work a flexible schedule to accommodate project needs including travel and working some weekends. Staff primarily maintain a 4 day, 10 hours/day work schedule, working M-Th.
- Must have a dependable car and valid driver's license, registration, and insurance
- Physical ability to hike
- Current or willingness to obtain Wilderness First Aid Certification

EDUCATION

Undergraduate degree from an accredited university or college is required – an advanced degree is preferred. REW is open to a range of educational backgrounds, including environmental sciences, ecology, nonprofit management, and natural resource management.

For more information, contact Rusty Lloyd via email at rlloyd@riversedgewest.org or by phone at (970) 256-7400.



