



## Native American Fish and Wildlife Society

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### **22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN NATURAL RESOURCES YOUTH PRACTICUM**

*Sponsored By*

**Native American Fish & Wildlife Society  
Southwest Region**

**When: June 19 - 23, 2023**

**Where: Collins Lake Ranch - Mora, New Mexico**

**Open To: Incoming 10th, 11th, & 12th Grade Students**

The Practicum is open to all Native American high school students from Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, southern California, and Utah who have an interest in pursuing a career in fishery and wildlife management, forestry, range management, watershed management, hydrology, or other natural resources related field. The Practicum provides a "hands-on" learning experience in natural resource management and combines classroom with field sessions that enables students to learn concepts and techniques used to manage natural resources. The Practicum is provided by the Southwest Region, Native American Fish and Wildlife Society at *no-cost to the participating students*.

Summer temperatures in the area during June/July range from the 50's to 80 degrees Fahrenheit. Some strenuous hiking will be involved. For more information, contact Norman Jojola at: (office) 505/753-1451 or (cell phone) 505/927-3494 or Lawrence Abeita at: (office) 505/563-2723.

**All Applications Must Be Received or Postmarked By May 26, 2023. Selections will be made by June 2, 2023 and students will be notified by June 2, 2023. Only COMPLETE APPLICATIONS will be accepted.**

March 15, 2023

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Native American Fish & Wildlife Society  
2023 Natural Resources Youth Practicum**

**CHECKLIST**

**Make sure you have completed and enclosed the following materials:**

- o Application Form**
- o Essay**
- o Signed Student/Parent Contract, Signed Picture Release Statement (Same Page)**
- o Student Emergency Medical Information Form**

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY May 26, 2023.**

**PLEASE SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:**

**Norman Jojola  
P. O. Box 1451  
Española, New Mexico 87532 or  
e-mail – [njojola@msn.com](mailto:njojola@msn.com)  
Questions call – (cell phone) 505/927-3494**

**OR**

**Lawrence Abeita  
2209 Maderia NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110  
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Questions call: (work) 505/563-3723**

**NAFWS-SW Region  
2023 Natural Resources Youth Practicum**

**Application /Admission Form**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birthdate/Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade (Fall 2023):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tribal Affiliation:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Enrollment #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Information: (For Emergency Purposes Only)**

**Name of Next of Kin:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number of Next of Kin:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Food/Dietary Restrictions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**T- Shirt Size - Sm Med Lg XLg XXLg Please circle T-shirt Size. Other Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, PLEASE PREPARE A SHORT ESSAY WHICH INCLUDES:**

- Your interests and activities in Natural Resources such as fisheries, wildlife, forestry, and range management.
- What is Natural Resources Management and Conservation?
- What area of Natural Resources Management and Conservation would you like to learn more about and why?
- What area of Natural Resources Management and Conservation do you feel is most important to our future and why?
- What kind of Natural Resources Management and Conservation is being done on your Reservation? What would you do to improve it?

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION – 2023 PRACTICUM  
(To be filled out by Parent or Guardian)**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child eligible for Indian Health Service contract health care?

\_\_\_\_\_ Indian Health Service Unit Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Indian Health Service Unit Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any physical disabilities?

(explain) \_\_\_\_\_

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Does your child have severe nosebleeds or other physical conditions that require precautions or special treatment?

(explain) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does your child wear glasses or contact lenses? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have Hay Fever? \_\_\_\_\_ Sinus Problems? \_\_\_\_\_

If your child has Hay Fever or Sinus Problems, are they on medication?

\_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what kind of medication? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child allergic to Insect bites or stings? \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain situation with allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

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Has your child had any major illnesses within the past 5 years? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION - 2023 PRACTICUM (Continued)**

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Is your child currently taking any medication? If yes, what kind? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child require assistance to take medication? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child allergic to any kind of medications? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what are these medications? \_\_\_\_\_

**IF YOUR CHILD REQUIRES ANY TYPE OF MEDICATION, PLEASE ENSURE THEY HAVE AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY**

Please provide any other information you feel is important: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NAFWS – SW Region  
2023 Natural Resources Youth Practicum  
Student/Parent Contract**

Acceptance to the 2023 Natural Resources Youth Practicum is a privilege and it also requires Students and Parents to assume certain responsibilities.

**STUDENT:** I, \_\_\_\_\_, as part of the 2023 Natural Resources Youth Practicum, accept the conditions stipulated below:

1. I will participate in and be on time to all sessions and activities, unless excused by a staff member.
2. I will conduct myself in an orderly manner at all times and will be respectful and courteous to everyone.
3. I will sleep where assigned and realize that I will be with people I have never met before.
4. I understand that at bedtime, all lights must be out when requested and that there will be a bed check every night.
5. I understand that drugs, alcohol, or any tobacco products are NOT allowed during the Practicum and I also understand that if I am caught using drugs, alcohol, or any tobacco products, I will immediately be sent home **AT MY PARENTS' EXPENSE.**
6. I understand that I will be held responsible for any damage that I have caused to Practicum equipment or to the Rio Mora National Wildlife Refuge facilities.
7. I understand that I will adhere to the established quiet time hours and the bed time lights-out hours established by the Practicum staff.
8. I understand that no water balloons or squirt-guns will be allowed.
9. I understand that NO Portable Music Devices and Cell Phones will be allowed.  
**LEAVE THEM HOME OR THEY BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE PRACTICUM.**
10. I understand that NO Gang-related or Heavy Metal-related Clothing Will Be Allowed. **ALL PANTS WILL BE WORN AT THE WAISTLINE.**
11. I will adhere to all rules of the NAFWS Natural Resources Youth Practicum and the Rio Mora National Wildlife Refuge.

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN:** I have read, understand and agree with the above terms. Permission is given for my child to participate in all activities and events, and for my child to receive all necessary medical attention should the need arise, with the understanding that I will be contacted immediately. Furthermore:

1. I understand that the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society or their staff will not be responsible for any theft, injury, or illness where my child is concerned.
2. I give permission for any staff member to render first aid to my child if necessary.
3. I give my consent and permission for hospital staff to treat my child in the case of emergency, with the understanding that I will be contacted immediately.
4. I understand that my child will be chaperoned responsibly and every effort will be made to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.
5. I understand that no drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products are permitted and that if my child is caught with any of these substances, they will immediately be dismissed and I will be notified to immediately pick them up **AT MY OWN EXPENSE.**
6. I understand that as part of my child's application, the **STUDENT EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM IS REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED AND ON FILE.**

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PICTURE RELEASE STATEMENT:** I give permission for my picture to be taken in conjunction with the 2023 Southwest Native American Fish & Wildlife Society Natural Resources Youth Practicum and to be used in newspapers, magazines, videos and other media concerning the Practicum without monetary compensation.

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_