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22nd ANNUAL SOUTHWEST NATIVE AMERICAN NATURAL RESOURCES SUMMER YOUTH PRACTICUM

*Sponsored By: Native American Fish & Wildlife Society
Southwest Region*

When: June 17 - 21, 2024

Where: Collins Lake Ranch, Mora, New Mexico

Cost: Free to participating students

Application Due Date: Friday, May 24, 2024

Eligibility:

- 10th - 12th grade students (Ages: 14- 17). Graduating seniors may apply if under the age of 18 by June 21st.
- Tribal citizen of the Tribes within the Southwest Region OR Tribal citizen residing within the Southwest Region.
 - Southwest Region consists of Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Southern California and Utah. See website for map.

The Southwest Summer Youth Practicum (SWSYP) is open to students interested in pursuing a career in fishery and wildlife management, forestry, range management, watershed science, hydrology, conservation law enforcement or other natural resources related fields.

The SWSYP provides a hands-on learning experiences, classroom and outdoor field sessions that enables students to learn concepts and techniques used to manage natural resources.

Summer temperatures in the area can range from 50 - 80 degrees Fahrenheit and may include wind, rain, etc. Some activities may involve strenuous hiking or outdoor activities.

Questions and more information, please contact:

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CHECKLIST & SUBMISSION DETAILS

Please ensure that you have all materials completed:

Application

Essay

Acknowledgment:

By checking the two boxes below, We (Parent/Guardian and Student Applicant) acknowledge that if accepted, we are responsible to fill and submit additional required forms prior to attendance/travel to the SWSYP.

The required forms as listed will be sent by the NAFWS Education Coordinator by email no later than June 7, 2024:

- a. Health & Medical Form
- b. Parent/Student Contract
- c. COVID Liability
- d. General Liability
- e. Media Release

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

- f. Student Applicant Acknowledgment

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Please email completed applications to NAFWS Education Coordinator:

Ashley Mueller, Education Coordinator
Email: amueller@nafws.org | Phone: 505-862-3779



APPLICATION

STUDENT'S FULL LEGAL NAME: _____

STUDENT'S ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____ AGE: _____ GENDER: _____ PRONOUNS (OPTIONAL): _____

STUDENT'S PHONE: _____ STUDENT'S EMAIL: _____

WE ENCOURAGE STUDENTS/PARENTS/GUARDIANS TO BE PART OF THE COMMUNICATION THROUGHOUT THE PROGRAM

SCHOOL: _____ GRADE (UPCOMING FALL): _____

TRIBAL AFFILIATION: _____ ENROLLMENT # (IF AVAILABLE): _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____

T-SHIRT SIZE (CIRCLE):

XS S M L XL XXL XXXL

*** STUDENT MUST BE IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION AS PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES ARE PART OF PRACTICUM ***

Please submit a 300 - 400 word essay. The essays should describe and provide a well thought out response to the following prompts:

- 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 in your community? What would you do to improve it?

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT AND GET THIS APPLICATION? (SCHOOL, TRIBAL NATURAL RESOURCE DEPT., WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, NAFWS MEMBER, FRIEND, PARENT, EMAIL, POSTED, ETC): _____