

BRIDGER-TETON COMMUNITY ORGANIZER JOB DESCRIPTION

Wyoming Wilderness Association (WWA) is seeking a full-time Community Organizer with a strong desire to advocate for the protection of our public wild lands. The Jackson Organizer reports to WWA's Executive Director and is responsible for the Bridger-Teton wild lands campaign through outreach, community engagement, collaboration, events and fundraising activities. This position includes working remotely in our Jackson office, which requires an applicant who is independent and self-directed, while effectively communicating with and supporting a statewide team. The successful candidate has an adequate understanding of the public lands issues in Wyoming, understands the process for achieving Wilderness protections and has a deep-rooted passion for advancing the work and mission of WWA and its Governing Council's directives.

Position Summary

The successful candidate will advocate for the defense of wilderness study areas and keeping roadless areas roadless, build support for wilderness recommendations on the B-T, build the membership of WWA, raise significant funds to support our work, elevate WWA's unique role amid the field of numerous environmental groups and attract and inspire a solid, active volunteer base.

Responsibilities

- Identify and monitor threats to key public lands related to the Bridger-Teton National Forest.
- Meet and communicate regularly with agencies and other conservation groups.
- Execute field tours and outings in WWA priority landscapes for local decision-makers and public officials, the media, the general public and other relevant individuals or groups.
- Have a thorough knowledge of the NEPA process with the ability to research and write comments on issues related to achieving land protections.
- Organize and host community events, including speakers, public celebrations, fundraisers and other outreach events, including but not limited to EcoFair, Shift and Old Bill's Fun Run.
- Work closely with WWA's Development Director and local board members to plan, coordinate and implement the Bridger-Teton campaign's fundraising strategy.
- Develop press releases, email action alerts, social media posts and other communications to inform and engage the public in the Bridger-Teton planning processes.
- Other duties as assigned to support the objectives of the Bridger-Teton campaign and WWA's mission to protect Wyoming's wild public lands.
- Communicate on a regular basis with the ED, colleagues, and Jackson governing council members.
- Be available for weekly staff meetings.
- Be receptive to constructive criticism from colleagues and board members and reach out to WWA staff when necessary.
- Be physically present in office at least three days per week.
- Have an outgoing personality and be eager to meet our donors in the Jackson area and work to cultivate new donors.

Qualifications

- A Master's degree in natural resources, environmental sciences or policy, public lands policy, wildlife biology, range science, forestry, geography or a related field plus one year of related experience OR an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- General knowledge of public land use issues and familiarity with Wyoming conservation politics.
- Familiarity with standard B-T forest management priorities and protocols relating to recreation, grazing, logging, thinning, prescribed burning and travel in Wilderness and Wilderness Study Areas
- Strong interpersonal, communication, administration and management skills.
- Excellent hiking and camping skills.
- Ability to effectively work both as part of a team and independently with little supervision.
- Strong technical and descriptive writing skills.
- Strong public speaking and effective communication skills.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite and ability to quickly learn new technology.
- A thorough knowledge of the Jackson non-profit and conservation community and a willingness to establish and maintain personal relationships with key players.

Salary plus medical, vision, dental benefits; sick and vacation leave. Competitive salary commensurate with experience.

Please send cover letter, resume and three references to Carolyn Schroth at carolyn@wildwyo.org

The Bridger-Teton Community Organizer will not participate in politics while in a professional role and will not try to change minds, but will influence opinions, biases and decisions through kindness, patience, education, science and fact.

More information about WWA is available at our website: www.wildwyo.org

The Wyoming Wilderness Association is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE). Qualified applicants are considered for employment without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or veteran status.

Contact <u>carolyn@wildwyo.org</u> for more information on this job description.