

AmeriCorps Native Seed Collector

POSITION TITLE: AmeriCorps Native Seed Collector

STATUS: 900-hour (6 month) term from April 15 – October 17, 2024; OR
1200-hour (9-Month) term from April 15 - December 12, 2024

REPORTS TO: Native Seed Technician (II) and AmeriCorps Program Director

POSITIONS REPORTING TO THIS POSITION: None

LOCATION: Smith, NV

STIPEND: \$550/week

Description: The AmeriCorps Native Seed Collector will help implement Conservancy native seed and nursery operations. The position will identify and monitor wildland sources of native seed around the Great Basin, harvest, process and store seed, document collection information, and propagate plants in the native plant nursery for use in native plant re-vegetation. The position requires a significant amount of time in the field, including occasionally camping in remote locations.

The ideal candidate will

- Have a sincere interest in expanding their knowledge of Great Basin ecology, restoration practices, the flora and fauna of Nevada, and nursery methods and equipment.
- Be proactive and find solutions.
- Demonstrate patience, careful attention to details, and a high level of comfort outdoors.

Expectations and Core Accountabilities

- Conduct wildland native seed collection, including identifying, scouting, mapping, monitoring, harvesting, processing, storing, and accessioning native seeds.
- Safely travel and camp in remote locations for up to four days at a time.
- Collect and compile field data and ensure that accurate records are kept and delivered.
- Assist Nursery and Native Seed Technicians with seed testing, database entries, and maintenance of nursery supplies and seeds.
- Operate & maintain nursery equipment to grow nursery crop of native plants.

Requirements

- Knowledge of or ability to learn and identify flora of the Great Basin and Eastern Sierra to species or sub-species level using technical keys;
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Physically fit to work outdoors in unpredictable weather conditions; AND hike up to 5 miles per day; AND bend and crouch for long periods of time; AND lift 50+ lbs.
- Willingness and ability to work irregular hours, such as starting early or working more days with shorter hours, in accordance with project specific requirements and conditions;
- Meet [AmeriCorps Eligibility Requirements](#).

To apply, send a resume and cover letter to ACRecruitment@walkerbasin.org, Subject: AmeriCorps Native Seed Collector