

DENVER, CO - EPA Region 8 National Environmental Policy Act Intern (CLOSING DATE: 04/09/2018)

Position Title: National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Intern

Background: The EPA Region 8 NEPA Program has the responsibility under NEPA to review and comment on Draft Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) prepared by other federal agencies within our region (Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming). A significant amount of the NEPA Program's workload focuses on proposed energy development projects. Our review of NEPA documents involves collaborating with subject matter experts across EPA Region 8 program offices, such as the Office of Water Protection and Air Program, as well as other federal agencies.

Position Description:

As a NEPA Intern you will develop transferrable skills that will benefit you in future academic and professional endeavors. You will be part of a dynamic team that works under its authority to review and provide comments on NEPA documents. You will be tasked with activities that will contribute to the success of the NEPA Program, with a focus on energy development projects. In this position, you will have the opportunity to learn about NEPA and environmental impacts across media; contribute to the success of the team by acting as a resource to the Program; and gain experience working toward EPA's mission to protect human health and the environment.

Specific duties may include, but are not limited, to the following:

- Become familiar with the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) oil and gas leasing and development process;
- Update previous compilations of stipulations and related measures for oil and gas leasing by BLM State and Field Offices;
- Utilizing compiled data, work with the R8 Geographic Information System (GIS) team to create a map of oil and gas potential, leasing stipulations, and environmental resources;
- Determine the effectiveness of EPA Region 8's review comments and mitigation measures put in place by NEPA lead federal agencies; and
- Other duties as needed.

Desired Skills:

- Excellent written and verbal communication
- Microsoft Excel and Word proficiency
- Ability to work independently and self-actuate
- Works well on a team
- Ability to process large amounts of complex technical and policy information and summarize critical elements

Knowledge/Experience (optional, but a bonus):

- Basic understanding of the oil and gas industry
- Basic understanding of environmental science
- Basic familiarity with data manipulation or GIS software

Timeline:

A NEPA internship is estimated to last no more than four months.

Desired hours per week: 20 – 40

(preference will be given to qualified candidates available to work more hours per week).

Desired start date: Flexible

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS: Supply transcripts, resume and cover letter (*indicating the positions or positions you are interested in, your available start date, and approximate hours/weeks you could work*) to R8EPAintern@epa.gov with the subject line: Student Volunteer Internship Program.

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