NATURAL RESOURCE INTERN

Location: American River Parkway (Hazel Ave → I-5 confluence), Carmichael/Sacramento, CA

Format: Primarily in-person fieldwork (some office time)

Term & Hours: Minimum 90 hours over 8–16 weeks (flexible schedule; some weekends)

Compensation: Unpaid volunteer internship; academic credit may be arranged through your

school

Reports to: Natural Resource Manager

Role Summary

Support habitat restoration, invasive plant management, native plant garden care, and long-term monitoring along the American River Parkway. Gain practical field skills, experience coordinating volunteers, and exposure to professional restoration and data collection projects.

What You'll Do

- Assist with invasive plant mapping and removal
- Help maintain native plant gardens
- Collect GPS data and contribute to GIS and iNaturalist tracking
- Support volunteer groups and lead at least one volunteer day a month
- Maintain tools and assist with general trail work/upkeep

Skills Gained

- Restoration and native plant management
- GPS data collection and field monitoring
- Volunteer coordination and leadership
- Flora and fauna identification
- Environmental and outdoor education

Qualifications

- Interest in Environmental Science, Biology, or Natural Resources
- Comfortable working outdoors and hiking with equipment
- Reliable, organized, and safety-minded

Time Commitment

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Minimum 90 total hours. Typical hours are scheduled weekdays between 8:30 am–4:30 pm, with occasional weekend commitments.

How to Apply

Email ajulien@arpf.org with the subject line "Natural Resource Intern – [Your Name]" and include:

- A short statement of interest
- Your résumé (optional but encouraged)
- Your school/major and desired term