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## Ochoco Mountains Outreach & Stewardship Intern

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Do you love Oregon's wildlands and wildlife? Do you want to protect the things that make our state special for future generations? Do you like organizing events to help people experience the great outdoors? Are you a skilled communicator, interested in helping interact with the public regarding local conservation issues? An internship with Oregon Wild might be just right for you!

This internship provides an opportunity to gain valuable work experience in a conservation advocacy organization while also supporting the critical mission of Oregon Wild. This intern will be fully integrated into the Oregon Wild team and will represent us at events, lead hikes, and work alongside conservation partners across the region.

### General Responsibilities:

- **Outreach in support of the Ochoco Mountains National Recreation Area campaign - 45%**  
This intern will seek opportunities to educate and grow support for the Ochoco Mountains National Recreation Area proposal (OMNRA). Activities will include tabling at summer festivals, events, hikes, and campouts. This intern will be a public face of the campaign throughout the summer and will also be responsible for social media content, including short videos.
- **Outdoor Program Development - 45%**  
This intern will work with staff, volunteers, and partner organizations to develop and lead outdoor programming for Oregon Wild members and supporters. This will primarily be in the form of hikes and stewardship trips on the Ochoco National Forest.
- **Program and general administrative support - 10%**  
Support the day to day operations of Oregon Wild and its Wilderness campaigns. This includes following up with new supporters and providing general office support.

Familiarity with the Ochocos is a bonus, but not required. Intern will spend time with staff in the field and will receive training in natural history and conservation advocacy.

Minimum qualifications:

A demonstrated passion for Wilderness and the conservation of America's public lands is mandatory. The ideal candidate must be friendly, positive and outgoing, and enjoy interacting with people from all walks of life. S/he will be able take direction well, be able to take initiative, and be able to work independently when needed. Candidates must possess a valid driver's license and their own transportation.

Experience leading groups outdoors in some capacity strongly encouraged, but not required. Good photography skills and experience writing for social media, web sites, blogs and similar electronic publications is a plus. Experience with GPS is not required but would be beneficial. Students who are studying in the areas of environmental science/natural resources, biology, communications, or government, as well as those looking to pursue a career in conservation and/or advocacy, are strongly encouraged to apply.

Equal Opportunity:

To better fulfill Oregon Wild's mission to protect and restore Oregon's wildlands, wildlife, and waters for future generations, we are striving to weave enhanced diversity, equity, and inclusivity into the fabric of our planning and everyday work. Just as Oregon's landscapes thrive when biodiversity is protected, we will thrive by honoring and leveraging human diversity. We are an equal opportunity employer and encourage applicants of any race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, familial status, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status, or any other protected class under state and/or federal law to apply.

Compensation:

This internship is unpaid, however, it may be tailored to meet requirements for academic credit. If there are particular skills or experiences you're interested in, let's talk.

Intern will be reimbursed for work-related driving (e.g. trips to the Ochocos from Bend).

Work Schedule:

20-30 hours per week, flexible schedule. This internship would include a combination of office and field work as well as substantial public interaction. Position would be based in the Oregon Wild Bend office.

To Apply:

E-mail your contact information along with a short cover letter (max. 1 page), resume, availability (dates & hours/week), and two references. You are also welcome to submit a writing sample. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with priority given to those received prior May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please send to:

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*Thanks to Jim Davis for the photo!*