Paid Summer Internship for UM Law Students

Job Title: Transboundary science and policy intern

Compensation: $8.30 per hour plus room and board (valued at $2500)

Dates: June 25- August 17, 2018

Internship Description:

This intern will be working with FLBS personnel to tangibly link science with environmental policy and law, working on case studies of on-the-ground environmental policy issues in the Flathead Basin, and greater transboundary region. Potential current issues to work on include;

- Legal context, data needs and environmental impact assessment of mountain-top removal coal mining in the transboundary Elk/Kootenai River Basin
- Indian Law with respect to traditional territory uses and federal consultation for environmental impacts in the transboundary Flathead and Elk/Kootenai River Basins
- Superfund law, data and interpretation with respect to the Columbia Falls Aluminum Company Superfund site
- The interface of protective land designations, jurisdictional mandate and environmental issues that cross land boundaries (e.g.; oil train transport, aquatic invasive species, T&E species)

The internship will provide opportunities to apply law and policy to high priority environmental issues in the Flathead Basin and greater Crown of the Continent Ecosystem. The intern will gain experience in environmental data collection and research in this region and how these data inform policy and management, while having the opportunity to contribute legal expertise and capacity to leading regional environmental issues. Relevant laws and treaties include, but are not limited to, the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act, Superfund Law, Boundary Waters Treaty and International Migratory Bird Treaty.

Qualifications:

- Must have completed first year at University of Montana Law school
- Preference for someone with an interest in how scientific data and analysis intersect with policy and law. The best fit will be for someone interested in some aspect in Natural Resource, Environment, Water, Indian, or International law.

How to Apply (application deadline: March 2018):

Use Handshake, UM’s job posting service and search for Flathead Lake Biological Station
Questions about applying? Contact monica.elser@flbs.umt.edu
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