



Paid Summer Internship (40 hours per week)

Job Title: Transboundary science and policy law intern

Compensation: \$8.50 per hour plus room and board (valued at \$2500)

Dates: June 24- August 16, 2019

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 through the lens of local and regional case studies
- The interface of protective land designations, jurisdictional mandate and environmental issues that cross jurisdictional 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.
- 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 of law school at the University of Montana
- Prefer UM law student with at least two years of law school, and an interest in how scientific data and analysis intersect with policy and law.
- Law student interested in some aspect in Natural Resource, Environment, Water, Indian, or International law.

Contact information for questions and to apply:

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