

Montana Working Lands Internship Program

Host Application

Please complete the application and return by February 1 to:

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or email sbarta@mt.gov.

Program Mission & Goals

The West is losing experienced land stewards. Our goal is to prepare the next generation of land stewards. In this unique opportunity, we are providing ranching experience and a rancher's pragmatic perspective on resource management to students who may later pursue careers in resource management in either government or the private sector.

Date: -----

Ranch Name: -----

Owner/Manager Name: -----

Mailing Address: -----

Physical Address (If different from above): -----

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Telephone: -----

Email Address: -----

Number of Interns your operation is willing to mentor: -----

Intern Housing Information

(Bunkhouse, apartment, room in ranch house, etc.):

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Please check the items/services that are available to the intern while on the mentoring operation:

[ ] Washer and Dryer: Please explain if services will be utilized and/or shared by others on the operation:

More info: -----

[ ] Internet Connection: Please explain location and times of use for service.

More info:-----

Opportunity to eat with operation's crew, employees or family.  
If not, is there a kitchen or kitchenette for intern to utilize?  Yes  No

More info: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional items interns will need for duration of Internship (i.e. bed sheets, towels, hiking boots, etc.):

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Please give a brief list of activities on the operation during the summer months that interns may experience:

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Please list any items the intern **cannot** bring with them?

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Please list a few of the most important natural resource practices implemented on the operation:

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List all the natural resource agencies your operation works with throughout the summer (i.e. Conservation Districts, USDA-NRCS, USFS, BLM, or Private Contractor):

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Will there be opportunities for the intern to go to any resource management related meetings or events throughout the summer:  Yes  No. If yes, please list:

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Are you willing to dedicate time each day towards mentoring your intern?  Yes  No

More info: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any activities on the operation that you do not want the intern to participate (i.e. use of equipment, special activities such as sorting cattle, doctoring, haying? etc.):

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Who would be the main mentor on the operation? Please list any other individuals who may assist:

Main Mentor: -----

Others: -----

Please list any dates that **do not** work for you to host the intern between May 15 and August 15.

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**>> Mentor agrees to the following responsibilities and objectives:**

- This mentoring position is voluntary and can be renewed each year as such
- To provide an educational and safe learning experience
- Will work with intern to meet learning objectives
- Will give the intern the opportunity to meet with local resource related entities when applicable
- Contact the Rangeland Resource Program Coordinator if any issues and/or questions occur
- Will provide a safe and functioning living space for intern
- Understanding that intern may or may not have agricultural experiences and may not be suitable for various kind of work done on the operation with or without guidance and/or supervision
- Is willing to dedicate 2 weeks for each intern to the Internship Program
- Understand that intern is receiving stipend amount from the program and is required to submit weekly work summaries and photos at the end of each week between Friday and Sunday.
- Termination of mentoring opportunity can happen at any time and mentors can resign from mentoring by contacting Rangeland Resource Program Coordinator and setting up a meeting time (via phone or in person) regarding reasons for withdrawal from program.
- I understand responsibilities and requirements to be met by person(s) receiving a mentoring position and I certify by my signature on this application that I can meet the objectives stated above and if I cannot I must contact the Rangeland Resource Program Coordinator office to announce my withdrawal from the mentoring position for the duration of the internship program.

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct.

Signature: ----- Date: -----

Print Name: -----