



Position Description Sierra Nevada AmeriCorps Partnership

Alpine Watershed Group & Sierra Nevada Alliance – South Lake Tahoe, CA	
Position Title:	Type:
Monitoring and Outreach Specialist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Term <input type="checkbox"/> Half Term

Organizational Background: The mission of the Alpine Watershed Group (AWG) is to preserve and enhance the natural system functions of Alpine County’s watersheds for future generations. AWG’s role is to monitor water quality, assist with needed restoration projects, and engage community participation in order to maintain healthy watershed systems. With the participation of a diverse stakeholder group, the organization builds community collaboration around watershed management and restoration efforts. Since 2001, AWG has been serving a critical role in collaborative watershed planning and restoration in Alpine County.

Since 1993, the Sierra Nevada Alliance has been protecting and restoring Sierra lands, water, wildlife, and communities. We are a hub for stewardship of the Sierra Nevada, which we achieve by empowering and collaborating with our partners.

Number of Member Positions at this Site: 1 (shared with Sierra Nevada Alliance)

Site Supervisor’s Name(s) and Title(s):

Mo Loden, Alpine Watershed Group, Watershed Program Manager
 Rebecca Williams, Sierra Nevada Alliance, SNAP Program Associate

Position Description: This AmeriCorps position will be hosted by the Alpine Watershed Group and Sierra Nevada Alliance to serve some of California’s most precious watersheds, Lake Tahoe and the five major headwater watersheds originating in Alpine County. Half of the member’s time will serve AWG in Alpine County—California’s least populated county, made

up of 95% public lands—and the other half will serve SNA in the Lake Tahoe watershed, the largest high alpine lake in the United States.

Monitoring and Outreach Specialist's primary focus at AWG is to assist with the various outreach platforms and recruit and coordinate volunteer involvement in AWG's watershed programs.

Sierra Nevada Alliance Projects:

The Sierra Nevada Alliance Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator will recruit and support volunteers for Sierra Nevada Alliance events, and program areas.

In addition, the member will support SNAP members by sending the weekly volunteer email, and managing the SNAP social media sites. They will lead the further development of the SNAP Alumni committee by planning and leading committee meetings and communicating with committee members.

They will manage the Alliance monthly webinar series by recruiting speakers, advertising the series, and managing the monthly webinars.

They will also support the Alliance's annual Wild and Scenic Film Festival by creating and sharing outreach materials, recruiting volunteers, viewing movies, and attaining resources for the silent auction.

They will represent the Sierra Nevada Alliance as part of the Take Care Tahoe Outreach Committee, the South Tahoe Environmental Education Committee, and the South Lake Tahoe Earth Day Committee. They will also represent Sierra Nevada Alliance at tabling outreach events throughout the year.

Projects:

- Recruit, manage, and facilitate presenters for the Alliance monthly webinar series.
- Create outreach materials for Alliance events.
- Do outreach for Alliance events.
- Manage the SNAP Facebook Page.
- Support Alliance Wild and Scenic Film Festival by recruiting volunteers, viewing movies, and attaining resources for the silent auction.
- Represent the Sierra Nevada Alliance at watershed related meetings throughout the Sierra and identify ways to collaborate.
- Represent the Sierra Nevada Alliance at table and outreach events throughout the year.
- Help build the Alliance volunteer opportunities and community engagement
- Recruit and manage volunteers at events throughout the year

Site-Specific Training Provided:

Below is a list of trainings, conferences, and webinars that past AWG AmeriCorps members have participated in.

- In-house water quality data collection training and how to train volunteers associated with the River Monitoring Program will be provided.
- Project WET/WILD/Learning Tree/Aquatic WILD
- League to Save Lake Tahoe Pipe Keepers Training
- Carson City Weed Coalition trainings
- Carson Water Subconservancy District flood, enviroscape and groundwater model training
- Carson Water Subconservancy District “Get on the Bus” watershed tour
- Carson River Coalition Watershed Forum
- Lake Tahoe Basin Weed Coordinating Group

Things to Note:

Required Qualifications:

- Ability to work independently and manage multiple projects in multiple sites
- Background in natural resource or environmental science
- Capability to coordinate volunteer-based programs and events
- Strong verbal and written communications skills and analytical thinking ability
- Proficient computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets, email, and internet
- Ability to work evenings and weekends as needed
- Reliable transportation; note that 4WD/AWD or chains are required in winter
- Ability to work at a desk/computer for up to 8 hours a day
- Ability to work in field for up to 8 hours a day

WORK HOURS		
8-hour days	10-hour days	10+ hour days
95%	4%	1%
Housing Offered through Site: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Vehicle provided for Placement Site work: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

TYPE OF WORK							
Field Work <i>(field surveys, planting, invasive pulls, maintenance, etc.)</i>	Office Work <i>(lab analysis, data entry, GIS, writing, etc.)</i>	Travel <i>(travel to field work and project Sites)</i>	Restoration and Assessment <i>(water quality monitoring, habitat restoration, fish surveys, etc.)</i>	Education <i>(teaching, citizen science, etc.)</i>	Volunteer Recruitment & Management	Member Training <i>(Site-specific training, conferences, and development opportunities)</i>	Other <i>(gear and equipment maintenance, outreach, etc.)</i>
10%	50%	2.5%	10%	10%	10%	5%	2.5%