



# 2019 MANRRS BLM INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



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**Location: Reno, NV – Nevada State Office**  
**Job Title: Management and Program Analyst, GS 0343**  
**Related Degree: Pre-law, Business, Political Science**

**Position Description:**

Update the Implementation Agreement (IA) for the Lincoln County Land Act and the Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act. The IA needs to be update to align with how we manage lands sales related to the acts and expenditure of funds generated by the land sales.

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**Location: Winnemucca, NV – Humboldt River Field Office**  
**Job Title: Geologist, GS 1350**  
**Related Degree: Environmental, Geologic or Engineering**

**Position Description:**

A 2001 revision of the surface management regulations (governing operations conducted for the exploration of minerals subject to claim under the General Mining Law) has resulted in many notices (proposals that disturbed less than five acres) expiring. These were predominately proposals for exploratory drilling. These expired notice sites must be inspected, and any outstanding reclamation requirements must be verified and documented. Many will challenge participant's skills in researching past activities in the area and accurately allocating disturbances to appropriate operators. The participant would perform those inspections, produce all pertinent documentation and may draft follow up correspondence to the operator of each expired notice.

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**Location: Winnemucca, NV – Winnemucca District**  
**Job Title: Archaeological Technician, GS 0102**  
**Related Degree: Anthropology, Archaeology, and/or Geographic Information Systems (GIS)**

**Position Description:**

The BLM Winnemucca District utilizes a cultural resources geographic information system (GIS) database of archaeological sites that was created in the 1990s and has been updated over the years as new sites were located. A DHA intern came to Winnemucca in 2018 to review the database and digitize any archaeological sites that were missing, which was very successful. As a result, the database is essentially complete in that it has all the known sites; however, the database is lacking in attribute data for those sites, which has been compounded by the transition to the new BLM National Cultural Resources Database Standard which includes additional attributes that must be entered.

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**Location: Winnemucca, NV**  
**Job Title: Civil Engineer, GS 0810**  
**Related Degree: Civil Engineering**

**Position Description:**

Winnemucca District has not had an engineer for several years, when remodeling the GSA lease cubical spaces were not adequately reinstalled and we lost over 12 cubical spaces. We do need an engineer to redesign our cubicals to include potential electrical and communication drops that may be necessary to accommodate the additional cubicals. We will also need a statement of work put together with the design in order to potentially contract out the work. The intern would work with the state engineering group and other district engineers.

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**Location: Reno, NV – Nevada State Office**  
**Job Title: Natural Resources Specialist, GS 0410**  
**Related Degree: Environmental Science, Geology, Geography, Biology, Physical Science, GIS**

**Position Description:**

The incumbent will be working with the Hazmat and Abandon Mine Lands (AML) Program Leads with AML physical inventory. Nevada leads the west in number of AML challenges to remediate. The Nevada BLM AML program has three components: historic physical safety hazards, historic watershed/chemical contamination sites such as old millsites or tailings impoundments, and contemporary, modern mines and millsites which have been abandoned or become bankrupt. Fortunately, Nevada also has a nationally recognized collaboration, including state agencies, other federal entities, conservation groups, academic scientists, the Nevada Mining Association, individual mines and equipment dealers, tribal entities, and other organizations.

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**Location: Carson City, NV – Stillwater Field Office**  
**Job Title: Ecologist, GS 0408**  
**Related Degree: Ecology, Biology, Environmental Science, Rangeland Ecology/Science**

**Position Description:**

In order to ensure sound, reasoned land management decision making, bureau policy objectives and mandates require the use of quantitative ecological monitoring data for our Rangeland Health assessments and NEPA processes. This office recently hired a temporary biological science technician to assist in determining data needs, provide analysis and formulate conclusions to be used in our science based decision making objective. Our objective is focused on utilizing the Carson City District Offices' Assessment, Inventory and Monitoring (AIM) quantitative dataset that had not been incorporated in the decision making process until recently.

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**Location: Las Vegas, NV- Las Vegas Field Office**

**Job Title: Realty Specialist, GS 1170**

**Related Degree: Associates**

**Position Description:**

The LVFO has numerous rights-of-way (ROW) case files that must be adjudicated for accuracy and quality control. This will ensure the student intern/s have a better understanding of records management, ROW processing, ROW projects, serial register pages, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and LR2000 processing. The student/s will become familiar with the history of each ROW casefile, from receipt of the application through the issuance of the grant. They will conduct site and compliance inspections of the project/s. This process will assist them to better understand the ROW program, the purpose, scope, and impacts of ROW projects to the resources, as well as appreciate the multiple-use of the public lands and its beauty.

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**Location: Las Vegas, NV- Las Vegas Field Office**

**Job Title: Park Ranger 0025**

**Related Degree: Outdoor Recreation in Parks and Tourism, Natural Resource Recreation Planning and Management**

**Position Description:**

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Southern Nevada District is responsible for managing the Logandale Trails Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area. There were over 65,000 visits to the area in Fiscal Year 18. There are three Off-Highway Vehicle commercial tour operators permitted to conduct regular tours in the area. There are multiple permitted recreation events that occur in the area. In support of management of the growing recreation use in the area, the BLM will be finalizing and implementing a trail sign plan for the area. Part of that plan includes development of interpretive information signs describing the trail system, responsible recreation, and important cultural and natural resources found in the area.

**Location: Reno, NV- Nevada State Office**

**Job Title: Land Law Examiner, GS**

**Related Degree: Business, Real Estate, Paralegal, Law, Pre-law - preferred but any degree will work**

**Position Description:**

The incumbent will be assisting the staff of geologists, Petroleum Engineer, PET, and land law examiners to help create units for new geothermal leases and plants and issue new leases. The incumbent will assist the geologists and engineer in updating the AMFSS and GRASS database. Also the incumbent will assist the team of land law examiners in verifying that lands are available for leasing for the upcoming oil, gas and geothermal lease sales. Nevada has one of the most active geothermal programs in the Bureau.

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**Location: Winnemucca, NV – Winnemucca District Office- Black Rock Field Office**  
**Job Title: Biological Science Technician (GS-04/05)**  
**Related Degree: Natural Resources or a related discipline (Wildlife, Range, Forestry)**

**Position Description:**

The project setting would be within the BLM Black Rock Field Office (BRFO) located in northern Nevada. The project would entail conducting Land Health Assessment (LHA) monitoring using Assessment, Inventory, and Monitoring (AIM) methods. In addition, when vegetation monitoring occurs in Greater Sage Grouse (GRSG) habitat, vegetation monitoring would also assess GRSG habitat suitability using Habitat Assessment Framework (HAF) methods. The data collected in the field would be used to inform GRSG Habitat Suitability Assessments and would be used in the GRSG Habitat Summary Reports. This project directly supports the implementation of the *Nevada and Northeastern California Greater Sage-Grouse Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment*. This project would help BLM assess if land health conditions are meeting GRSG Plan Amendment Table 2-2 Habitat Objectives and help inform the rangeland health assessment for the permit renewal process. This project advances the Secretary of Interior’s Priorities in “Creating a conservation stewardship legacy second only to Teddy Roosevelt” by “Utilizing science to identify best practices to manage land and water resources and adapt to changes in the environment”.

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**Location: Winnemucca, NV – Humboldt River Field Office**  
**Job Title: Natural Resources Specialist (GS-04/01)**  
**Related Degree: Biology, Plant Sciences, Environmental Science, Ecology**

**Position Description:**

The Humboldt River Office has integrated pest management project opportunities for Direct Hire intern(s). The project will involve identifying priority areas within the Winnemucca District for focused weeds management activities. Once identified, priority areas will be inventoried and a long-term plan of management will be developed. The intern(s) will participate in management activities such as chemical application, manual and mechanical treatments, seeding disturbed areas, biological control, and collecting data on infestation extent and treatment effectiveness. BLM staff will provide pesticide application training and work with the intern to identify priority areas and develop a management plan, but the interns themselves will be responsible for designing a management plan and carrying out early steps of the plan as seasonally appropriate.

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**Location: Winnemucca, NV – WID/Nevadad/Humboldt River Field Office**

**Job Title: Range Technician (GS-04/55)**

**Related Degree: Rangeland Management and/or Natural Resources Management or equivalent**

## **Position Description:**

The Winnemucca District, more specifically the Humboldt River Field Office has a back log of maintenance needs on livestock exclosures throughout the Field Office. Many of these exclosures are in Greater Sage grouse Priority Habitat areas and some are even protecting Lahontan Cutthroat Trout habitat, an area of focus would be the Montana Mountain PMU and the Jordan Meadow Grazing Allotment. Hiring DHA interns will assist the HRFO Range staff catch up on these maintenance needs and protect GSG and LCT habitat. Hiring DHA's will intern be a better route for the office due to high HR hiring priorities that has pushed our normal Seasonal Range Technician hires to the bottom of the priority list which would leave these positions vacant pushing our maintenance back log even further behind. Work would entail manual labor in repairing, rebuilding and/or constructing new fences/exclosures that are critical to livestock management and wildlife/fisheries goals. If time allows there is also a back log of historic fire rehab protection fences that need to be removed as well as the possibility that permanent allotment fences damaged from last year's Martin Fire will need to be repaired, but the priority would be to focus on the exclosure fences.

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