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Water Resources and Land Use Planning Internship

Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) is seeking two part-time planning interns to assist with water resource, land use and transportation planning projects in communities with the RPC region in southeastern New Hampshire. The interns' primary roles will be conducting fieldwork inventorying and data analysis for RPC's Regional Stream Crossing Assessment project. Other duties may include assisting with transportation planning efforts, local master plan updates, hazard mitigation plans, or similar activities. To the extent possible, assigned projects will be related to an intern's areas of interest.

RPC's Regional Stream Crossing Assessment project provides state agencies and municipalities within the region information to identify critical and hazardous crossings. The main objective of this project is to identify those stream crossings that may fail, particularly during storm events. Failures can cause infrastructure and property damage, cut off critical transportation routes, negatively affect waterways and harm aquatic life. Knowing the condition of stream crossings can help guide municipalities and state agencies prioritize those crossings most in need of retrofit or replacement. Results from this assessment will be incorporated into municipal and regional hazard mitigation plans, vulnerability assessments, and site specific restoration and mitigation projects.

Additional desired experience and skills:

- Bachelor's Degree or coursework working towards a degree in environmental planning, natural resources, water resources, geology, hydrology, civil engineering, or a related field.
- Dedicated coursework and/or practical work experience conducting fieldwork for natural resource inventories or infrastructure surveys.
- Strong communication, writing and analytical skills.
- Familiarity with Microsoft Office applications. GPS and GIS skills are a plus.
- A valid driver's license.

Compensation:

The compensation rate for these positions is up to \$14.00 per hour for up to 24 hours per week. Ideal candidates would be available to start in late May and work through at least the end of August. For questions or to apply, please submit a cover letter, resume and three references by April 18, 2017 to:

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Note: E-mailed applications are preferred.