

Giant Sequoia Forest Fellow (Tulare County)

This is a 2-year funded position through Save the Redwoods League's Forest Fellowship program, providing opportunities for emerging natural resource professionals in support of the field of redwood forest restoration.

Put your passion for and knowledge about forest restoration to work with the giant sequoias in Tulare County! Save the Redwoods League is seeking a **Tulare County based Giant Sequoia Forest Fellow** in the southern Sierra Nevada.

The **Giant Sequoia Forest Fellow** is a two-year term position that serves to enhance the capacity of the Science and Restoration Teams as the League expands its involvement in the giant sequoia range. As our **Giant Sequoia Forest Fellow**, you will be working with League staff and partner agencies to support the Giant Sequoia Working Group and Giant Sequoia Lands Coalition, assisting with forest restoration monitoring and implementation, supporting the implementation of a landscape-scale restoration initiative, and providing local support for specific agency projects.

For over 100 years, Save the Redwoods League has been dedicated to protecting the ancient redwood forests so all generations can experience the inspiration and majesty of redwoods. Since its founding in 1918, Save the Redwoods League has protected more than 200,000 acres of forests and helped create 66 redwood parks and preserves for everybody to enjoy. To learn more about us, go to www.saveTheRedwoods.org

Compensation: \$27.47/hour with possible year-end bonus (\$50,000/year based on a 35-hour work week)

We provide excellent benefits including paid vacation, sick time, medical, dental, vision, online tele-therapy, health advocacy and employee assistance programs, life insurance, and more!

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Giant Seguoia Working Group and Giant Seguoia Lands Coalition Support

- Provides logistical and administrative support for the Giant Sequoia Working Group and Giant Sequoia Lands Coalition (State Parks, Sierra Nevada Conservancy, Forest Service, Cal Fire, BLM, Tulare County)
- Collaborates with the League's GIS Manager to collate publicly available giant sequoia spatial data and research
- Coordinates with giant sequoia managers from partner agencies to collate all locally held spatial data and research
- Updates an online citation manager for all relevant research
- Supports the exchange of conservation-learning across the two ranges (coast-redwood and giant-sequoia range)
- Works with the Science and Restoration teams on a Redwoods Symposium to be hosted by the League

Restoration Plan Development and Implementation Support

- Provides logistical and administrative support for active restoration project work in giant sequoia groves on League-held properties and those being managed by the League under its Master Stewardship Agreement with the USDA Forest Service
- Acts as an "On-site Monitor", under the direction of the Sierra Stewardship Manager and/or Forester, during active operations to ensure League standards are being met
- Serves as logistical coordinator with contractors and partners to implement restoration projects

- Supports and participates in field data collection for vegetation and fuels monitoring
- Coordinates site visits with donors, volunteers, contractors and interested partners
- Works with the Sierra Stewardship Manager to track budgets and generate progress reports

Landscape-scale Restoration Initiative Support

- Provides administrative support and point-of-contact in developing the League's relationships with local agencies and Tribal Government personnel
- Serves as liaison to non-agency groups invested in these ecosystems; provides support for site visits, presentations, outreach with the local community (barbeques), and public talks

Other Tasks

- Supports the League's Parks and Public Engagement team in the development and execution of recreational amenities at the League-held Alder Creek property
- Supports League staff and agency partners to implement various, related projects
- Reports emerging needs in the giant sequoia range as identified by on-the-ground managers to the Giant Sequoia Working Group, Giant Sequoia Lands Coalition and League staff

Qualifications:

- Associate's or Bachelor's degree in forestry, science, ecology, conservation biology or equivalent experience
- Ability to live close to project sites in Tulare County
- Keen field administrative and reporting skills; proficient with Microsoft Office and GIS software
- Knowledge of California natural history and ecology
- Understanding of federal, California state and/or local environmental regulatory framework is desirable
- Commitment to the League's pragmatic, non-confrontational approach to conservation
- Highly organized with excellent project management skills, including the ability to establish and monitor priorities, maintain flexibility, and meet deadlines in a fast-paced setting
- Strong work ethic and commitment to conservation
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Self-starter, able to work independently as well as in a team, with a track record of collaborating successfully with others
- Ability to handle multiple complex tasks under pressure with stringent time constraints
- Demonstrated cultural competency and ability to communicate and interact effectively with people across cultures, ethnic groups, and identities; verbal and written fluency in a language other than English is desirable
- Must have a valid driver's license and safe driving record

Working Conditions

- Must live in proximity to project sites in Tulare County (examples: Springville, Porterville, California Hot Springs, Visalia, Fresno); Peak season (May – September) operations may require frequent camping at work sites.
- Some weekend and evening responsibilities
- Frequently required to hike through forest land while working off-site, including walking on uneven ground, climbing over obstacles, and accessing remote locations
- Occasionally lifts, carries, or otherwise moves and positions objects weighing up to 30 pounds

To Be Considered

Email your resume and a <u>cover letter</u> addressing why you are a great fit for this role to: <u>Jobs@SaveTheRedwoods.org</u> with the subject heading "Giant Sequoia Forest Fellow".

NO CALLS PLEASE . . . we are busy protecting redwoods. *Thank You!*

Save the Redwoods League is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to creating an environment of equity and inclusion. Recruiting and retaining a diverse workforce is a high priority; people of all identities, backgrounds, and cultures are encouraged to apply. Learn more about our <u>Diversity</u>, <u>Equity</u>, and <u>Inclusion</u> initiatives.