



**Friends of Nevada Wilderness
Sheldon Restoration Crew Member
300-hour AmeriCorps Position Description**

Host Site Supervisor: Pat Bruce – Friends of Nevada Wilderness

Location: Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge, Nevada

Position: 300 hour/40 hour/week for 10 weeks (3 available)
May 30-August 15, 2021

Position Summary: Disconnect from the digital world and spend your summer in nature! This once-in-a-lifetime experience will entail working directly on the ground to improve wildlife habitat by removing barbwire fence and unneeded, non-repairable developments within the spectacular Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge. A significant amount of time will be spent living and working in a remote location with limited communication capabilities. As a bonus, housing and food will be provided; however, some camping will be required.

Sheldon Restoration Crew Members will:

- Use a variety of tools from hand and gas-powered wire rollers, post jacks, hand tools, cutting torch, and fire safety tools.
- Be digging, lifting, carrying, hiking traveling by foot, truck, or ATV over rugged terrain.
- Work with volunteers during stewardship events.
- Work as agents of both Friends of Nevada Wilderness and the Fish and Wildlife Services when dealing with visitors and volunteers and must represent both in a positive way.

Basic Qualifications:

- 18 or older
- US citizen or equivalent
- High School Diploma/GED
- Ability to live and maintain a working relationship with a team when living in a remote area with limited outside communication
- Ability to hike for up to eight miles with a 40-pound pack
- Ability to live and work in rugged conditions with extreme temperature variations
- Responsible for maintaining a clean and healthy living environment
- Responsible for safe use and maintenance of tools, equipment and vehicles
- Ability to work as part of a team with safety as a primary concern
- Organizational skills
- Responsible for data collection and basic computer literacy
- A basic medical release from an MD is required

Notes:

- Nevada Outdoor School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or age in its programs, activities, or in its hiring and employment practices.
- This AmeriCorps program is made possible by a generous grant from Nevada Volunteers.

AmeriCorps Requirements:

- AmeriCorps members are expected to wear AmeriCorps logo or apparel while serving.
- This description lists the minimum service requirements. Individuals may be required to perform additional position duties as requested by their Site Supervisor or AmeriCorps Program Director.

Benefits/Experience Gained:

The AmeriCorps member will gain valuable experience working on a Wildlife Refuge with Refuge staff in addition to training in the use of tools to repair, improve, and maintain wildlife habitat. Members will come away with a broad knowledge of the sagebrush steppe ecosystem and the important role it plays in conservation and wildlife preservation.

Apply At:

To apply, please e-mail a cover letter, and resume directly to employment@nevadawilderness.org with the subject line 'AmeriCorps Sheldon Crew Member.'

Applicants must also submit an application through the AmeriCorps website (link will be provided upon receipt of application package).