

Summer Internship: Renewable Energy Policy Research



Applications for 2019 will be accepted now through March 25.

The Organization:

Renewable Northwest is a nonprofit advocacy group based in Portland, Oregon. We envision the Northwest powered by clean, affordable, reliable, renewable energy that protects the climate, strengthens the economy, and preserves our quality of life. We advocate for the expansion of environmentally responsible renewable energy resources in the Northwest through collaboration with government, industry, utilities, customers, and advocacy groups.

The Internship:

More than ever before, renewable energy production and agriculture are being paired, creating opportunities for farming families to diversify their revenue streams, grow thriving crops, and be part of the clean energy future. This intern will research dual-use solar and agriculture and existing policy drivers around the country to produce a written report and presentation for use in solar policy advocacy and education in Oregon and Washington. The work on this project is to be completed over 10 weeks during the summer. Components of the work include:

- Conduct research on the topic of solar and agriculture dual-use and produce an outline, bibliography, and list of informants for the report.
- Identify the stakeholder audience and maintain a list of contacts for draft report review and final report distribution. Conduct a review process that includes key Renewable NW partners and stakeholders to ensure the report reflects outside information needs and is reviewed for accuracy.
- Produce any additional content or materials needed for informative distribution of the final report, including a slide presentation summarizing the report to be used for an educational webinar to interested stakeholders.

The resultant information will help shape local and regional conservations regarding thoughtful siting of renewable energy resources on productive farmland. In addition to a focus on this project, the intern will get broad exposure to the policy and regulatory work of the organization and will gain real-world experience on renewable energy issues in the Northwest.

Candidates should have excellent research and writing skills, have strong experience working with Microsoft Office applications (Excel, Word and PowerPoint) and Google Docs, and demonstrate passion for renewable energy and/or Northwest energy issues. Please highlight in your cover letter how your particular skills and experience relate to the potential projects outlined above.

This is a paid, temporary 10-week summer position at \$15/hour.

To Apply:

To submit an application, send the following materials in MS Word or PDF format via email:

- **Cover letter** (Your chance to tell us why you want this internship!)
- **Current resume**
- **A writing sample of 3 to 5 pages** (This should highlight your writing and research skills.)
- **List of three professional references.** (Please include name, title, relationship to you, email address and phone number.)

Accepting applications thru 3/25/19.

Incomplete or late applications may not be considered.

Address the cover letter to David Wolf, Administrative Director.

Send all files via email to: Internship@RenewableNW.org

Please direct questions to David Wolf or Pam Mahon at: Internship@RenewableNW.org 503-223-4544