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## Summer Internship: Renewable Energy Economic Impact Research

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Renewable Northwest offers an internship to those seeking experience in renewable energy advocacy.

### ABOUT RENEWABLE NORTHWEST

Renewable Northwest is a regional nonprofit clean energy advocacy organization whose mission is to decarbonize the region by accelerating the transition to renewable electricity. Renewable Northwest serves four Northwest states – Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. Member organizations include leading renewable energy businesses, environmental organizations, consumer groups and other renewable energy sector affiliates. Renewable Northwest offers a dynamic, challenging and rewarding workplace where staff collaborates with members and allies to move the Northwest away from fossil fuels toward a clean energy future. Employees hold individual responsibility for respective focus areas, but are well supported by fellow staff who collaborate closely across policy, regulatory and industry sectors. Visit [RenewableNW.org](https://RenewableNW.org) for additional background information.

### STATEMENT OF INCLUSION

Renewable Northwest values a diverse workplace and strongly encourages people from diverse backgrounds to apply for this position, including people of color, people with disabilities, immigrants, people with lived experience, and members of the LGBTQ+ community. Renewable Northwest is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants will not be discriminated against based on race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, A status, genetics, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local laws.

### PRINCIPAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Renewable Northwest, the Northwest's preeminent renewable energy advocacy organization, seeks a summer intern. The majority of time will be spent conducting research on the economic impacts of renewable energy projects in all four states in which we operate – Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho. This work will support development of fact sheets used for advocacy work to build support for policies aimed at increasing investments in renewable energy. Components of the work will include:

- Review of existing literature, previous Renewable Northwest studies and fact sheets on economic impacts.

- Coordination with state and local agencies in each state to gather data related to property tax revenue, employment data, and other economic data.
- Coordination with Renewable Northwest membership organizations to learn about project costs.
- Collection and organization of data on renewable energy projects in operation and those in development.
- Participation in Renewable Northwest staff meetings and member update calls as needed.

Additionally, the intern will undertake a project to estimate payments made to landowners that lease their property for the use of renewable energy projects in Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho. This information is not publicly available and will require the intern, in partnership with RNW staff, to be creative in their approach to data collection and modeling.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Candidates should have excellent research and writing skills.
- Strong communication skills
- Ability to work independently
- Strong experience working with Microsoft Office applications (Excel, Word and PowerPoint) and Google Docs.
- A creative, problem-solving mindset is desirable.

### COMPENSATION

- This is a paid, temporary position at \$21/hour. This position will not exceed 40 hours per week.
- The length of the internship will vary depending upon school schedules, but is not expected to extend beyond 12 weeks. The summer intern position can be remote or hybrid, however the employee must be based in the Pacific Northwest - residing in Oregon, Washington, Montana or Idaho.

### TO APPLY

To submit an application, send the following materials in or PDF format via email to [admin@renewablenw.org](mailto:admin@renewablenw.org):

- Cover Letter (Highlight your particular skills/experience as they relate to the duties and responsibilities outlined above)
- Resume
- Writing sample of 3 to 5 pages (Highlight your writing and research skills)
- List of three professional references: Include name, title, relationship to you, phone number, and email address. References will be contacted only with applicants permission.

Applicants must be authorized to work for any employer in the U.S. We are unable to sponsor or take over sponsorship of an employment Visa at this time.

**Application Deadline:** April 20th, 2025. Incomplete or late applications may not be considered.