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Internship Project Description:
The participant will have the opportunity to be actively involved at a peer level in developing data process, geospatial products, and interactive websites to support a variety of projects within the national recreation program in support of a variety of efforts. Much of the work will be focused on implementing phases of the national recreation mapping effort – a project to provide cutting edge information on recreational sites and opportunities across the Bureau, and which is one of the Director’s priorities. Examples of such sites can be viewed at [http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/nlcs.html](http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/nlcs.html). Initial efforts have been focused on showcasing our National Monuments and National Conservation Areas. Currently, we are in the process of developing websites to showcase mountain biking opportunities on BLM. The next phase will focus on a variety of the premier recreational opportunities (destinations, activities and sites) across the BLM.

The participant will work with a variety of staff specialists in the national recreation programs and other programs as needed to assist in the development of visually-stunning, mobile-friendly, web content in support of these ongoing recreation mapping efforts. If the participant has current ArcGIS software and geodatabase skills, that would be considered an additional and valuable asset. General workload priorities will be established by the primary supervisor, but individual staff will provide supporting information and workload details to each project.

The applicant must have completed at least two years toward a related degree, with a solid working knowledge of web development software. The ability to program websites in CQ or Drupal is required. The BLM currently uses CQ, but is in the process of converting to Drupal. The applicant must have demonstrated ability and willingness to communicate with a diverse group of specialists and non-specialists from across the western US and Alaska to develop an understanding of BLM recreational use related problems and help develop solutions; have the ability and willingness to work with on national-level efforts with critical time constraints and very high expectations; and must be able to work well independently and complete tasks with minimal supervision.