



## ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH CORPS 2023 Veterans Wildland Fire/Fuels Intern

- Partner Agency:** US Forest Service Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest- Yampa Ranger District or Parks Ranger District
- Positions Available:** 4
- Location:** Yampa, CO or Walden, CO
- Tentative Dates:** Fall/Winter 2023-2024 into Summer 2024
- Stipend:** \$25/hour
- Plus:** Boot/gear reimbursement up to \$400  
Up to \$150/week housing stipend  
Public Land Corps Hiring Authority upon completion of 640 hours on public lands.

### **Program Overview:**

This position will be working as a member of a four-person U.S. Military Veteran fuels reduction crew hosted and supervised by the Medicine/Bow Routt National Forests at the Parks Ranger District or Douglas Ranger District. Primary duties will include operating a chainsaw, stacking cut material into piles, hiking over uneven terrain, and camping overnight on national forest land. Crew members will be trained in the use of chainsaws and wildland firefighting, previous experience is preferred but not required. The successful applicant must have a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and a willingness to learn. The Forest Service will provide all supplies and equipment needed to perform the job. Applicant will need to purchase minimum 8" high, lace-type exterior leather work boots with lug melt-resistant soles. \$400 boot reimbursement is provided by RMYC.

Throughout the season there will be opportunities to work on prescribed burns and wildland fire assignments. While on fires the incumbent will switch from RMYC's payroll to being paid directly by the agency in charge of the fire (AD status).

### **General Qualifications:**

- Applicant must be able to perform arduous labor in remote locations for 10-12 hours per day.

- Ability to pass USFS Work Capacity Test at the “arduous” level (3-mile walk on flat ground with 45-pound pack in 46 minutes) <https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/safety/wct>. This is required for the opportunity to work on wildland fires.
- Willingness to travel

**Requirements:**

- US Military Post-9/11 Veterans
- DD214 form showing Honorable Discharge or General Discharge (under Honorable Conditions)
- High School Diploma or equivalent
- 18 Years of age or older with a valid driver license and clean driving record.
- Eligibility to work in the US
- This position is supported by the Public Lands Hiring Authority which requires candidates to be between the ages of 16 to 30 (up to 35 for veterans).
- Pre-service background screening required, including FBI background check
- Must be able to provide proof of eligibility to work in the United States

*This position is classified as Temporary Non-Exempt and is a seasonal position with no benefits. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is committed to the inclusion of members with all levels of ability. Reasonable accommodations are available upon request. This program is available to all, without regard age 40 and over, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, military or veteran status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or any other applicable status protected by state or local law.*

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Member Name

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