INTERNSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT
Park Name: Wasatch Mountain State Park
Intern Position Title: Park Ranger Aide/Naturalist Assistant
Dates Needed: Spring Semester (Jan - April)

Organizational Background
Wasatch Mountain State Park is tucked away in Utah's beautiful Heber Valley, its 23,000 acres poised on the east slope of the Wasatch Mountains at an elevation between 6,000 and 10,000 feet. Wasatch is home to an abundance of wildlife such as mule deer, elk, moose, mountain lions, raccoons, beavers, sandhill cranes, wild turkeys, coyotes and many others.

Wasatch Mountain offers activities year-round such as tent and RV camping, world class golf, scores of hiking, biking, and horseback riding trails, a community fishing pond, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and ATV riding both summer and winter. Scenic drives and wildlife watching are also popular activities within the park.

Wasatch Mountain also contains a rich history of farming, ranching and homesteading. Several historic buildings still exist within the park, as does an old gravesite with a unique and intriguing history. A 130-year-old apple orchard at the Huber Grove is one of the hidden gems of Wasatch Mountain State Park.

Internships Available
Park Ranger Aide/Naturalist Assistant

This position will assist the Park Naturalist/Ranger in several aspects of the park’s programs. Some of the main duties include, but are not limited to:

• Prepare for seasonal programs
• Write interpretive articles for local newspapers
• Prepare interpretive signage
• Develop interpretive signs for Visitor Center loop trail
• Help develop and implement a Master Naturalist community course
• Work with maintenance crew on interpretive projects (Huber Grove)
• Trail work and planning
• Dark sky certification process
• Prepare and lead moonlight snowshoe hikes with Friends of Wasatch
• Lead snowshoe hikes
• Staff Visitor Center
• Prepare for and schedule summer programs
• Other park-specific duties as needed

Knowledge/ Skills/ Abilities
• Understand principle, theories and practices of parks and recreation, environmental education and interpretation
• Develop curriculum, learning objectives and/or course material
• Motivated to work alone and with co-workers
• Public speaking in front of school and community groups
• Customer service/relations
• Phone/radio communications and etiquette
• Problem solving
• Verbal/Non-verbal communications
• Ability to read, understand and explain documents in English.
• Speak clearly, concisely and effectively
• Listen and follow written and/or oral instructions
• Availability and approachability
• Wide range of physical mobility
• Ability to accurately exchange money for fee/service and count back change.
• Basic office skills including fax machine, copy machine, computer and internet

**Internship Details**
This position is currently unpaid, although a small stipend may become available depending on future funding decisions. However, the internship will provide excellent training for anyone considering a future in environmental education/interpretation. We request a minimum commitment of 10 to 15 hours a week, with up to 20 hours a week available. Scheduling is flexible and could include a variety of weekdays as well as Saturdays and Sundays.

**Other Pertinent Details**
Wasatch Mountain State Park is approximately 50 miles from Salt Lake City. Housing is not available, however a camp site can be arranged for those interested in camping to save on travel costs.

**To Apply**
Send cover letter explaining your background, experience and why you are interested in this internship position, and a resume to: Wasatch Mountain State Park, Attn: Kathy Donnell, PO Box 10, Midway Utah 84049. Or email to Kathydonnell@utah.gov. For more information about Wasatch Mountain, visit www.stateparks.utah.gov/parks/wasatch.

**Applications Are Due:** Ongoing