INTERNSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT
Park Name: Wasatch Mountain State Park
Intern Position Title: Park Ranger Aide/Naturalist Assistant
Dates Needed: Ongoing

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, black bear, 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

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

This position will assist the Park Ranger/Naturalist in several aspects of the park's interpretive and trail programs. Some of the main duties include but are not limited to:
- Trail work
- Lead Interpretive hikes

- Prepare and present seasonal programs and events
- Help with school programs at the park
- Write interpretive articles for local newspapers
- TV and Radio interviews
- Prepare interpretive signage (trails, amphitheater, VC)
- Promote programs and park through social media
- Lead interpretive tours, supervise apple harvest and maintain the Historic Huber Grove including apple tree care. This includes water line repairs, watering trees, weeding, upkeep of house and creamery, etc…
- Work with geocaching program, fill containers, check coordinates
- Help staff apple harvest on weekends in Aug and Sept
- Assist with preparing for "First Time Camping Adventure" program for next summer
- Other park-specific duties as needed

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 40 hours a week available. Scheduling is flexible and could include a variety of weekdays/evenings 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 tent site can be arranged for those interested in camping in the summer to save on travel costs.

To Apply
Send cover letter explaining your background, experience and why you are interested in our 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