

Restoration Assistant

Reports To: Restoration Program Manager

Location: 115 S Main Street, Cottonwood, AZ 86326

Primary Function/Purpose:

This position will assist the Restoration program by supporting riparian invasive management, erosion reduction, water quality monitoring and wildlife corridor projects. This position would specifically support field-based crew work and community science efforts related to this program.

Major Responsibilities and Duties:

- Support restoration projects including riparian invasive plant removal, upland restoration, water quality monitoring, and wildlife corridors.
- Coordinate with volunteer community scientists and contract crews on projects including Otter Spotter, Bioblitz, bird surveys, vegetation monitoring and more.
- Lead field trips of school age students and classroom follow up visits.
- Assist in planning and coordination restoration volunteer events (MLK Day, Public Lands Day)
- Lead environmental education for community members, field trips, tourists, etc.

30-hour plus work availability per week preferred. Workspace will be a combination of field based work with a hybrid office/ remote arrangement.

Qualified individuals with disabilities and those from diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply. We provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals upon request.

For more information, contact: AmeriCorps@nau.edu | 928-523-6395

To Apply: <https://in.nau.edu/center-for-service-and-volunteerism/apply-ameriCorps/>

About Friends of the Verde River:

Friends of the Verde River is a local non-profit that implements on-the-ground projects, facilitates regional coordination, and informs statewide policy from the local perspective. Over the past decade, Friends has grown into an organization with professional staff implementing conservation in the Verde Watershed at a landscape scale.

Friends of the Verde River aligns with NAU's AmeriCorps program by offering meaningful service opportunities that support environmental education, habitat restoration, and water quality monitoring—key focus areas of the program. As a host site, Friends provides members with impactful, hands-on experiences in sustainability and conservation while contributing to broader environmental and community capacity-building goals in Arizona.