

Grand Valley Trails Alliance Coordinator Position Description

Background Information: In early 2011, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Junction Field Office initiated discussions regarding formation of a group to represent the full spectrum of recreational trail opportunities available in and around the Grand Valley. It was determined that the diversity of trail opportunities and trail users in the region created management challenges that warranted more unified coordination of trail management efforts. Funding provided by the BLM through assistance agreements with the Responsible Recreation Foundation (RRF) and the Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association (COPMOBA) is available to help with the start-up of a multiple-use "trails alliance" organization. Representatives from the BLM, RRF and COPMOBA have agreed that hiring someone to coordinate this group is a critical first step toward achieving better management of the area's trail opportunities.

Position Details

Pay: \$15-\$20 /hour

Work hours: Half time, 1,000 hours/year

Reporting Relationships:

- General oversight and accountability will be provided by the BLM recreation program and the board of directors from RRF and COPMOBA.
- Direct supervision will be provided by a three member team made up of one representative from the BLM, one from RRF and one from COPMOBA.
 - This team will establish workload expectations and performance benchmarks for the incumbent.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Work collaboratively with motorized and non-motorized recreation organizations, as well as local, state and federal governments/agencies to establish a coalition of trail users that can provide a common voice regarding trail creation and management in the Grand Valley and other adjoining public lands.
- Establish an organizational framework for a trails alliance.
 - Define scope of organization.
 - Establish a timeline for formation of the group.
 - Define mission/vision statements that will guide the organization.
 - Establish protocol for meetings and group communications.
- Define criteria for trails alliance representatives.
 - Establish guidelines for participation/representation in the alliance.
 - Ensure fair and balanced representation of diverse trail interests in the region.
- Facilitate the selection of trails alliance representatives.
 - Contact all local organizations with a potential interest in trails to invite participation in the trails alliance. This includes recreation user groups, and municipal, county, state, and federal governments.
 - Establish a protocol for selecting group representatives.