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Environment Department Actively Recruiting College Students for Summer Field Work

(Santa Fe, NM) — The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has plans to hire a diverse group of 50 college students for environmental work this summer. This intern and mentorship program will draw students from around the state to perform environmental projects for NMED and to address pressing environmental issues in local communities statewide.

“I can’t think of a better way to spend my summer than out in the field, getting my hands dirty and helping to protect New Mexico’s water quality and public health,” said NMED Secretary Ron Curry.

Student interns will be spread around the Department’s bureaus and some of its 23 New Mexico field offices. Internships will run through August 15, 2005, and may be flexible depending on the project and upon the desires of the bureau and intern. Salaries will range between \$9.00 and \$12.00 per hour.

At a minimum, a successful applicant must have completed at least one year of college with at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA. Successful candidates will be majoring in physical or natural sciences, computer science, engineering, math, business, law or any environmental-related program.

“Our hope is that, after getting a taste of what working for NMED is all about, these students will be motivated to return to school, finish strong and come work for us full time,” said Secretary Curry.

Students interested in applying can find more details on NMED’s Internship Web site:
<http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/Intern/index.html>

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