



## FOCL Innovatorship Announcement

We are always looking for ways to give students opportunities to get involved at Colorado Lagoon, and this summer we need lots of help!!

This program depends on your involvement and as usual volunteers are always needed and are extremely welcomed at the Colorado Lagoon at all times; however, in order to continue offering professional education and restoration programs we need a couple more dedicated individuals at the Lagoon regularly.

We have a few bucks and are offering 2 small “Innovatorships” (read: internships) to support our programs this year at the Colorado Lagoon. The position would last from Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> through Monday September 14<sup>th</sup>.

This is a public announcement. These positions are available to individuals who possess an outstanding skill-set that will help FOCL’s monitoring and research efforts progress. FOCL Innovators who have volunteered with us previously are encouraged to apply.

These awards are intended to help continue and enhance a monitoring program at Colorado Lagoon. In conjunction with FOCL naturalists and researchers from CSULB, we will be working on weekly monitoring of water quality using continuous data recorders, on weekly trash surveys, and on various faunal monitoring program for birds, fish, and invertebrates. Ecological minded individuals will enjoy this hands-on experience.

**Requirements:** Must be a student who is familiar with restoration project at Colorado Lagoon and has background within environmental science, education and restoration. Prior involvement with FOCL is encouraged.

**Responsibilities:** Work directly with FOCL Education Director, FOCL Restoration Director, and CSULB professors (Pernet, Whitcraft) to accomplish the goals of the FOCL Monitoring Program. Scope of work is subjective and dependent upon individual circumstances and interests as discussed with directors. Duties may include: assisting with environmental monitoring; conducting research and monitoring; data entry and analysis; providing support and leadership at habitat restoration events; maintaining equipment; keeping weekly field logs; basic statistical knowledge; working with other volunteers as a team-member or in a leadership role.

**Commitment:** 2-10 hours a week. Extra initiative and availability is desired.

**Desirable attributes:** Patience, Openness to learning new techniques, Initiative, Creativity, Punctuality and Dependability, Conscientiousness and Refined Organization and Communicative Skills.

**Compensation:** \$500.00 flat stipend (\$250.00 paid on first day of work; \$250.00 paid on last day of work). The benefits exceed this modest pay!!!!

This position will act as a resume builder and will generate future letters of recommendation. The Innovator will be exposed to salt marsh ecology, research and restoration theory. All of the resources at the Colorado Lagoon Wetlands and Marine Science Education Center will be made available to you!! There will be continuous on-the-job training.

Awards will be announced no later than June 14<sup>th</sup> 2010, so if interested please contact Taylor Parker (FOCL Education Director) at Taylor@coloradolagoon.org with your letter of interest accompanied by your CV no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> 2010...