

Jonathan Legin

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Professional Summary

Motivated and results-driven professional with a strong work ethic and passion for natural resource management, specializing in ecological conservation, habitat restoration, and project leadership. Experienced in coordinating restoration initiatives, developing management plans, and educating communities on environmental stewardship. Experienced in ecological conservation, restoration, and habitat management. Adept at leadership, organization, and planning in fast-paced environments.

Education

Green River College – Auburn, WA

Associate of Applied Science in Natural Resources – Graduated June 2022

Relevant coursework: Native Plant Botany, Stream and Wetland Ecology, Fish ID and Habitat, Silviculture, Wildlife Habitat Management, Forestry Appraisal

Bachelor of Applied Science in Forest Resource Management – Graduated March 2024

Relevant coursework: Forest Ecology, Forest Law and Policy, Wildlife Ecology, Bio-invasions, Advanced Silviculture, Restoration Techniques

Certifications & Projects

- **Certifications/AA Degrees:** Water Quality, Parks and Recreation Management, Forestry
 - Developed a PNW plant herbarium with 50 native plant species
 - Designed and implemented a rain garden restoration plan for Green River College
 - Presented research on water quality comparisons at the Society of American Foresters Conference
 - Partnered with Mid Sound Fisheries to coordinate and assist in the installation of salmonid tanks in Seattle-area elementary schools, ensuring proper setup and functionality for educational purposes.
 - Educated the public on conservation efforts at the Duwamish River Festival
 - Developed multiple restoration plans for King County
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Professional Experience

Free the Green – Auburn, WA

Restoration Project Manager (January 2022 – Present)

- Lead riparian restoration site assessments, prepares restoration plans, and oversees implementation
- Applied revegetation techniques to enhance native plant and salmon habitats
- Managed native plant nursery and greenhouse operations, improving plant survival rates by implementing efficient irrigation techniques and organizing inventory for streamlined project execution.

Restoration Technician (June 2021 – January 2022)

- Assisted with greenhouse maintenance and organization
- Monitored vegetation growth and managed invasive species using non-chemical control
- Supported site planners in achieving restoration objectives

King County Parks

Vegetation Management – SeaTac, WA (June 2023 – October 2023)

- Applied herbicide to control noxious and invasive weeds
- Used field mapping tools for vegetation tracking and analysis

Restoration Team – Maple Valley, WA (April 2024 – October 2024)

- Weeding, mulching, and watering to maintain park landscapes
- Clearing trails and park entries to enhance visitor experience

Additional Work Experience

- US Security Associates – Security Officer I (Nov 2017 – Aug 2018)
- Planet Fitness – Member Service Representative (Oct 2018 – Mar 2019)
- Junk King – Professional Junk & Waste Remover (June 2019 – June 2020)

Skills & Qualifications

- Environmental conservation & restoration expertise
- Vegetation mapping, stream profiling, and habitat assessment
- Native plant and noxious weed identification
- Forest management planning for private landowners
- Team leadership and project coordination

Community Engagement

- Volunteered with City of Kent for invasive plant removal in community parks
- Participated in Mid-Sound Fisheries restoration projects for native salmon habitat
- Educated locals on native plants at King County Fair
- Led capstone project to educate landowners on habitat enhancement and environmental stewardship
- Hosted restoration events with Free the Green, training volunteers on ecological restoration techniques

References

Available upon request