



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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## WSCC SUMMER INTERNSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT – 2014

The Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) is pleased to offer a summer internship opportunity at its Lacey, WA headquarters. The WSCC—together with 45 partner conservation districts—empowers citizens to protect natural resources using incentive-based programs.

The intern will work with the WSCC's Office of Farmland Preservation to develop a new initiative aimed at strengthening the local food economy of Washington State. More specifically, the intern will explore how conservation districts in Washington can help connect growers and producers with local food markets. This work will require fostering relationships with local food partners and developing capacity-building strategies. Other activities include: research activities; written communication; phone calls; farm and conservation district visits; preparing/assembling outreach materials; assisting with meeting/event coordination; compiling a project report/presentation; and data management. Some travel may be required.

**This project is budgeted for 135 hours @ \$17.00 an hour.**

The WSCC's mission is to lead the citizens of the state in the wise stewardship, conservation, and protection of soil, water, and other related natural resources. Applicants are encouraged to learn more about us by visiting our website ([www.scc.wa.gov](http://www.scc.wa.gov)) and the Office of Farmland Preservation website ([www.ofp.scc.wa.gov](http://www.ofp.scc.wa.gov)).

A similar intern opportunity building on the results of this effort will be available during the summer of 2015.

See the intern application details on the reverse of this document.

If you have questions, please contact Josh Giuntoli at 360-407-7474 or [jgiuntoli@scc.wa.gov](mailto:jgiuntoli@scc.wa.gov).



## Washington State Conservation Commission – Office of Farmland Preservation

<b>Job Title:</b>	2014 Summer Local Foods Intern	<b>Job Category:</b>	Internship
<b>Program:</b>	Office of Farmland Preservation	<b>Date posted:</b>	March 24, 2014
<b>Focus area:</b>	Statewide	<b>Applications Due:</b>	COB - April 23, 2014
<b>Hours/Pay:</b>	135 hours @ \$17 hour	<b>Requirements:</b>	enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate college program
<b>Project Contact:</b>	Josh Giuntoli, 360-407-7474	<b>Travel Required</b>	Possible overnight, day trips
<b>WSCC URL:</b>	<a href="http://scc.wa.gov/">http://scc.wa.gov/</a>		
<b>OFP URL:</b>	<a href="http://ofp.scc.wa.gov/">http://ofp.scc.wa.gov/</a>		

### Applications Accepted By:

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**Subject Line:** 2014 SCC Summer Internship

**Attention:** Josh Giuntoli

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### Job Description

#### ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The intern will work with the Washington State Conservation Commission's Office of Farmland Preservation to develop a new initiative aimed at strengthening the local food economy of Washington State. Specifically, the intern will explore how conservation districts in Washington can help connect growers and producers with local food markets. The priority of this effort is to strengthen farmland preservation goals in Washington State.

To accomplish this effort, the intern will be expected to perform the following tasks:

- A national evaluation of conservation districts with connection to local food markets and follow up through email, phone. [Outcome: Provide one page summary]
- A state evaluation of conservation districts with connection to local food markets and follow up through email, phone or in person meeting. [Outcome: Provide one page summary]
- An evaluation of potential local Washington food markets for connecting. [Outcome: Provide one page summary]
- Compile results and identify opportunities
- Coordinate one meeting and field tour with conservation districts, local food stakeholders, elected officials, and growers/producers. [Outcome: Provide meeting summary]
- Attend and present results of effort at one Washington State Food System Roundtable meeting. [Outcome: Present a 15 minute PowerPoint]

#### EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS AND PREFERRED SKILLS

Interested candidates should have an expressed interest in the preservation of farms and growing our state's local food economy. Candidates should possess the ability to be detail oriented, work independently, plan, coordinate, perform web based research, synthesize information for use by policy committees and elected officials, meet deadlines, and have a valid driver's license. Candidates must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate college program.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

Submit a one-page resume and a one-page or less written narrative introducing yourself, your interest in this position, and how it fits your career goals. Written narratives are limited to one side of an 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper.

#### ADDITIONAL NOTES

Applications will be evaluated the week of April 28.

Timeline to complete within budgeted hours is negotiable.

Project must be concluded by September 30, 2014.