

Communications Associate

The Organization

Idaho Rivers United is a result-driven, campaign-oriented conservation organization formed in 1990 to help citizens protect and restore the rivers of Idaho. We achieve our goals through a mix of direct advocacy, education, citizen involvement, collaboration and, when necessary, litigation. Today, Idaho Rivers United has approximately 3,000 members, an active volunteer board of directors and a professional staff of organizers, advocates, activists and technical experts.

The Mission

The mission of Idaho Rivers United is *“To protect and restore the rivers of Idaho.”*

About the Position

The Communications Associate works with staff to develop and implement IRU’s communications program. This position requires a deep commitment to the mission of IRU and a strong passion for protecting rivers, intensive journalistic style writing skills and the ability to develop content for a variety of platforms. Helpful for this position is a broad skillset that includes experience in natural resource protections.

More specifically, the essential skills required of this position include:

- Strategic thinking skills
- Excellent writing, proofreading and public speaking skills
- An understanding of local, state, regional and federal water politics and the ability to communicate with and/or educate public officials and elected leaders when necessary
- An understanding of the threats and challenges to Idaho’s rivers and streams and the ability to help develop and deliver creative messaging
- Ability to manage website and social media platforms
- Managing the development and implementation of reoccurring digital and print publications

Compensation and Benefits

Annual salary is competitive and benefits include employer-provided health and dental insurance, retirement, generous vacation and sick leave. IRU is an Equal Opportunity Employer that values diversity, equity and inclusion.

Applications should include a resume, 3 professional references, writing samples and a cover letter addressed to Kevin Lewis, Executive Director via e-mail at kevin@idahorivers.org. Please include “Communications Associate” as the subject line in your communication. The application period closes on 6/15/2019.