Job Announcement

Legal Internship

Full or Part-time Volunteer Positions available at BCDC

Legal internships are available at the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) for the Spring, Summer and Fall semesters. BCDC is the nation's first state coastal management agency established in 1965 to protect San Francisco Bay and the Suisun Marsh. BCDC issues permits for projects in and along the Bay and Marsh, and develops plans and policies to address a variety of issues that affect the Bay including climate change and sea level rise, public access and wetlands. Commissioners represent state and local governmental bodies around the Bay. More information about BCDC and its activities is located on our website at: www.bcdc.ca.gov.

Legal Internships: Legal interns work with BCDC Legal Counsel on a variety of issues:

• Assist the preparation of staff reports, regulations and amendments to the Bay Plan and California Coastal Management Program.
• Analyze legislation and litigation affecting the Commission.
• Prepare public access and open space agreements, and responding to Public Record Act requests.
• Work on enforcement cases with Legal Counsel and the Attorney General’s Office.
• Research and analyze legal issues.
• Attend staff meetings, Commission hearings, and meetings with permit applicants.
• Accompany staff members on site visits.
• Other related legal duties as assigned.

Qualifications: Legal interns must have a college or undergraduate degree and completed at least one year of an accredited law school. Knowledge of federal and state environmental laws and regulations, land use planning and property law is desirable. Strong writing and analytical skills and ability to work with others are critical.

Contact: Interested students should send a resume, transcript, writing sample and three references to:

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