San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, Inc.

RIVER TOURS VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION

General Description

River Tours Volunteers assist with leading public downriver and calm water kayak and canoe tours during the regular River Tours season. Volunteers greet participants and assist the River Tours Guide with assorted duties including shuttling participants and boats between the put-in and take-out points for each tour, loading and unloading the boat trailers, and group management while on the water. River Tours typically take place Fridays through Sundays from May to September of each year (depending on water levels). Volunteers are asked to assist with at least one trip a month.

Program Timeline

- River Tours take place from May to September of each year.
- Volunteers new to the program must take part in 2 trainings prior to the beginning of the season (trainings typically take place in April of each year).

Duties, Responsibilities and Expectations

- Attend 2 trainings (one 'dry-land' and one 'downriver') prior to the beginning of the season.
- Assist with at least one downriver or calm water trip per month during program season.
- Greet program participants at take-out points and answer general questions when necessary.
- Shuttle program participants between put-in and take-out points (typically in personal vehicle).
- Shuttle boat trailer between put-in and take out points.
- Assist River Tours Guide with leading downriver portion of trip/group management while on the water.

Oualifications

- Physical ability to lift 40 lbs and climb a ladder
- Valid driver's license (must submit a DMV report)
- Personal vehicle (or access to a vehicle)
- Willing to drive a truck and tow a trailer (truck and trailer River Parkway Trust property, training provided)
- Passion for canoeing/kayaking and the outdoors

To Get Involved

Information on trainings for each season will be sent out to those on the list in February/early March of each year. Trainings will take place in April. Those new to the program are required to attend two of the trainings, one dry land and one down river. Return volunteers are only required to attend one down river training; typically, 2-3 down river training dates are offered.

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