FSPR Volunteer Service/Activity Description

FY2024 (10/1/23 – 09/30/24)

Landscaping, landscape maintenance:

Description: Prepare and plant new specimens, water planting beds, pull weeds in xeriscape garden and along pathways to keep grounds of visitor contact stations/bookstores and public lands clean, attractive, and safe.

2. Time/schedule commitments: Routine periodic landscaping and special projects planned and announced in advance, 3-to-4-hour workday or longer depending on project.
3. Use of government vehicle: Will be operated by government employee as needed to haul clippings and debris. May ride as passenger in government vehicle.
4. Use of personal vehicle: For volunteer’s personal transportation to work site.
5. Tools and equipment: Shovels, weed trimmers and other similar power tools. May work near or around mowers or other heavy equipment.
7. Skills and abilities needed: Walking on natural terrain, picking up and carrying equipment or trash bags, sometimes heavy or cumbersome loads.
8. Training and certifications: Recognizing potential hazards encountered on grounds and along paths. Lifting and carrying loads and tools.
9. Level of physical activity: Moderately strenuous due to walking, picking up and carrying loads.
10. Hazards or risks: Walking outdoors on natural terrain, uneven and rough ground, sometimes in remote locations. Potential cuts and punctures, potential pathogens, hazardous materials. Hazardous materials will be reported to BLM representative on site and will not be handled or removed by volunteers. Encounters with stinging and biting insects, wildlife, allergens (dust, pollen). Encounters with undocumented immigrants, drug smugglers, hunters.