**Redwood National and State Parks**

**Youth Conservation Corps (YCC)**

**(Application Cover Letter – Do Not Submit with Application)**

The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is an 8-week well-balanced work-learn-earn program that develops an understanding and appreciation of the nation's natural environments, heritage and management. This highly successful program offers a total of 10 participants, ages 15 through 18, to be selected from Humboldt and Del Norte counties to work in an outdoor environment, performing conservation work throughout Redwood National and State Parks. It is administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service at Redwood National Park under the Trails Program.

**Dates of Program:** June 23rd through August 15th, 2025 (excluding Friday July 4th)

**Reporting Location:** All participants must provide their own transportation to and from either the Park’s Northern Operations Center in Crescent City, Del Norte County or the National Park Service’s office in Arcata, Humboldt County. Transportation will be provided from these locations to and from the various work sites.

**Hours of Work:** Monday- Friday 7 AM to 3:30 PM, starting and ending at the reporting locations.

**Salary:** Enrollees will be paid the California minimum wage of $16.50 per hour for a 40-hour work week.

**Description of Work:** Work will include a variety of cyclical trail maintenance tasks such as trail brushing, tread and drainage maintenance and preventative maintenance of trail structures. Participants will perform vegetation removal of invasive species, dig fire lines around historic structures in the Bald Hills, assist hydrologists with stream surveys and spend a whole day with a wildlife biologist learning about park management of endangered species. **Participants will be required to do hard physical work that may be difficult and repetitious, hike long distances over steep and rugged terrain and may be exposed to insects, poison oak, adverse weather, and difficult working conditions.** No prior experience is needed, just an eagerness and willingness to make a difference, participate and try your best.

**How to enroll:** To apply, youth meeting these qualifications should complete the YCC application form and return it to Redwood National Park **post marked or emailed by April 30th.** The application is also available in a fillable PDF that can be emailed to you or accessed through the park’s website. We encourage you to fill it out electronically, but this is not required. Both the signature of the applicant and a parent or guardian is required if applicant is under 18 years old.Applicants will be selected on a random basis and will be notified of selection early May. Demographic information such as age, race, and family income is not used in the selection process.

**Questions?** Contact Program Manager, Brittney McGuire at (707) 465-7737 or brittney\_mcguire@nps.gov

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