**Organization/Agency: Coastal Watershed Council**  
**Position: River Events Intern**  
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The Coastal Watershed Council (CWC) is a non-profit agency whose mission is to preserve and protect coastal watersheds through community stewardship, education and monitoring. While CWC conducts programs throughout Santa Cruz County, the organization primarily focuses on revitalizing the lower San Lorenzo River habitat and surrounding green spaces in the heart of Santa Cruz. We seek to shift community perceptions from apathy and disdain to respect, recreation, and restoration.

**Program Description:** CWC engages community members of all ages and backgrounds along the San Lorenzo River through fun and inspiring events. Programming aims to connect individuals with the river ecosystem and the surrounding Santa Cruz Riverwalk and model positive activities along the river. CWC events include educational tours, river explorations, events for fish enthusiasts, and stewardship and water quality monitoring events. Events demonstrate the relevance and importance of a healthy river to our day-to-day lives and inspire action to protect this precious resource.

**River Events Intern Responsibilities:** The internship position supports all aspects of CWC’s events and community programming. Specific responsibilities include:

- Coordinating and co-leading CWC events.
- Promoting events and engagement opportunities to the Santa Cruz community at large as well as target audiences.
- Promoting and tracking volunteer and attendee participation.
- Tabling at CWC events and community and partner events.
- Supporting community partnerships.
- Writing press releases and PSAs.

Interns will commit 6 – 15 hours a week for at least one semester to Coastal Watershed Council. The specific projects they will work on will vary based on the timeframe of their participation.
**Prerequisites:** Strong candidates for have a passion and strong in environmental sciences, biology or science communications. They must have strong verbal and written communication skills and enjoy working with people. We seek detail-oriented and organized interns with a desire to work in the field and in a small office environment as a team player and a leader.

This internship provides an experience that includes “working world” experience, organizing and implementing water quality monitoring. CWC strives to shape internship opportunities that work towards the mission of watershed protection while creating meaningful and enjoyable experiences for the intern. Please e-mail your resume, sample of work and a brief statement of interest to Alev Bilginsoy at abilginsoy@coastal-watershed.org.