2019 Cal-IPC Workshop Travel Award for Underrepresented Professionals!

For





Award Description

The California Invasive Plant Council (Cal-IPC) is offering five \$500 travel awards to conservation and land management professionals from underrepresented backgrounds to participate in our "Planning Invasive Plant Management" Training Workshop at the Cal-IPC Symposium on October 15, 2019 in Riverside, California. This half-day workshop will provide attendees from across California with the tools to plan effective invasive plant management that can be brought back and utilized in their organizations.

This award will cover travel costs and incidentals up to \$500 to attend the Training Workshop. We encourage all attendees to also come to our annual Symposium (October 15–18, 2019). Awardees can register at a reduced rate of \$195. To learn more about the training workshop and Symposium, visit https://www.cal-ipc.org/resources/symposium/.

Who Should Apply?

Entry-level to mid-level professionals from underrepresented backgrounds in the conservation and land management community that do not have financial support from their employer to attend are encouraged to apply. Applicants should have a strong desire and drive to grow as conservation professionals and a demonstrated need for this training to support organizational goals in invasive plant management.

Cal-IPC values the perspectives and experiences of underrepresented California conservation professionals and seeks to build organizational capacity and support individual professional growth through this training. Click here to find out more.

How to Apply

Applications should be submitted to aspindel@cal-ipc.org for review by **5:00 pm PST on June 21, 2019** for consideration. All applications must include:

- A cover letter addressing the following points (two page maximum):
 - 1. Why are you a qualified candidate (describe financial need and how you diversify representation in the conservation and land management field)?
 - 2. What are your professional interests in conservation and land management?
 - 3. How would this training workshop (and, if attending, the associated symposium) benefit you in your professional development?
 - 4. How would this workshop support your organization's goals in coordinating invasive plant management?
- A resumé, CV or bullet point list including any experiences that support your commitment to this field and a current mailing address

Review Process and Selection Criteria

Applications will be reviewed by committee and applicants will be notified whether or not they have been selected for an award by **July 12**, **2019**. Awardees will be selected based on quality and appropriateness of response to listed questions in the cover letter, completeness of the application, and demonstrated applicability of training workshop (and Cal-IPC Symposium) to current or future organizational work and professional development.

For questions regarding application submissions, program details, and information about the Cal-IPC Symposium contact:

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