Natural Resource & Restoration Management Fellow

American Conservation Experience, in partnership with Saguaro National Park, is seeking an individual to contribute to border restoration and other natural resource management projects alongside NPS staff. The ACE Fellow will gain practical experience in monitoring and mitigating resource impacts. They will participate in conducting surveys for impacts to natural and cultural resources related to the US-Mexico border and restoring sites to improve visitor use of public lands. The fellow will also participate in other restoration activities and in monitoring and managing wildlife and plants, including invasive species. Field-based operations include:

- locating areas in the park experiencing resource impacts due to illegal border crossings, cleaning and restoring these areas
- restoring (digging, raking, planting) sites damaged by motor vehicle accidents, foot traffic, invasive plants, etc.
- surveying in field for targeted plant and wildlife species, including use of wildlife (trail) cameras
- assisting in making park boundary fences wildlife-friendly
- mapping natural resources through the use of mobile data collection devices
- treating invasive plants using manual methods
- directing work of volunteers, and education and outreach tasks

Qualifications:

- keen interest in ecology and respect for nature
- must have a desire to gain a deeper understanding and relationship with the Southwest and understand what it takes to manage our country's most revered natural places
- willing and able to represent ACE and the partner organization in a professional, positive, and enthusiastic manner
- interest in ecological restoration, invasive species management or related experience
- ability to be both self-directed/work alone, and be a positive, contributing member of a group

To learn more and/or to apply, please contact Don Swann (Don_Swann@nps.gov).