

NM Political Report Environment reporter

To apply, send a résumé, cover letter and three clips to editor@nmpoliticalreport.com by Jan 29.

Summary

With the guidance of an editor, reports and writes stories related to the environment, including water, energy and climate change, with a focus on New Mexico.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Receives assignments from editor and pitches stories based on news tips to report 1-2 stories each week.
- Researches and analyzes information related to story ideas, including public records requests, interviews and research of records.
- Writes a weekly environment newsletter of stories from throughout the state.
- Revises work to meet editorial approval.
- Provides publication-quality photographs to run alongside stories.
- Aids in group-editing of colleagues' stories.
- Completes assignments in a timely manner, on an agreed-upon deadline.
- Makes media appearances on television or radio programs to discuss and promote stories.
- May work during non-traditional hours to complete stories.
- Must abide by the Society for Professional Journalists Code of Ethics.

Minimum Job Requirements

A bachelor's degree from an accredited university and three or more years of work experience in journalism, including reporting on the environment. Experience can be substituted for a degree.

Can work remotely , but must be willing to relocate to New Mexico after the pandemic.

Skills Required

- Knowledge of journalism principles and techniques.
- Familiarity with Wordpress or a similar CMS.
- Proven ability to develop own story ideas and sources.
- Experience writing longform features desirable.
- Basic familiarity with Google Docs.
- Familiarity with filing Inspection of Public Records Act requests, or similar open records requests.
- In-state travel may be required. Must have reliable personal transportation.

Working Conditions and Physical Effort

- No or very limited exposure to physical risk.
- Work will include significant travel and reporting outside an office.

Benefits

- Includes health insurance.
- Includes 12 days of paid time off.

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