Environmental Institutions in the Sacramento Region

I. Private for-profit

II. NGOs/nonprofits

III. State/Federal Government agencies

IV. On Campus

I. Private for-profit

- Ascent Environmental
  - Natural resources, urban design and planning consultancy - can handle unusual compliance situations, first-of-a-kind planning projects where there is no precedent
  - People
  - Careers

- SWCA Environmental Consultants
  - Environmental permitting support, projects like renewable energy

- Rincon Consultants Inc.
  - Land-use planning, biological resources, and remediation services
  - Has hired two EPM students as interns. Contact Program Coordinator for more information.
  - Careers

- Bargas Environmental Consulting
  - Specializes in the analysis of natural resources, cultural resources, regulatory permitting, and project management services
  - Careers

- Ecoconsult
  - Environmental Consulting Firm
  - Has hosted two EPM student interns, Contact Program Coordinator for more information.

- Environmental Science Associates (ESA)
  - Environmental consulting firm
  - Have offices all over the West Coast
  - Careers

- Dudek
  - Plan, design, permit and build client projects that enhance and protect natural and built environments of California communities.
- **Burleson Consulting**
  - Habitat restoration, environmental remediation, biological resources, abandoned mine lands, NEPA & CEQA.
  - No direct careers link, but people to contact can be found [here](#).

- **Sierra Research acquired by Trinity Consultants**
  - In the field of air quality and air pollution control, can assist with broad range of environmental consulting such as engineering, testing, modeling, analytical, and regulatory compliance related to air quality and air pollution control.

- **Conservation Strategy Group**
  - Concentrates on transforming water supply and demand strategies for local, regional and state systems, conservation of California’s natural resources through collaborative policy and funding solutions, and climate through natural resources, clean energy and clean transportation policy.
  - Internships program
    - Students will learn CA’s legislative process, implementation of state environmental programs and policies, on the ground environmental projects and lobbying activities.
      - Part time and full-time internship positions usually from January - September
    - Kim Schneider Friends of EPM list

- **Woodard & Curran**
  - Provide enhanced capabilities for solving water management challenges while maintaining a strong commitment to service and technical excellence.
  - [Projects](#)
  - [Internships](#)

- **Kearns & West**
  - Strategic communications firm, projects include local, state, regional and national levels and cover sectors in energy, water, marine resources, land use and natural resources, government, business, community and regional planning.
  - J. Michael Harty (Friends of EPM list) Principal and Senior Mediator
  - [Careers](#)

- **Fehr & Peers**
  - Transportation solutions
  - Ron Miliam (Principal) friends of EPM list
  - [Careers](#)

- **ICF: Strategic Consulting**
  - Megan Smith, Antero Rivasplata, Michael Vondergeest, Maggie Townsley (friends of EPM list)
II. NGOs/nonprofits

- **American River Conservancy**
  - Protects habitat, native fisheries, scenic vistas, and recreational lands w/in upper AR and Cosumnes River
  - [Volunteer](#)
- **Sacramento Audubon Society**
  - Promote protection of scientific study of wild birds
  - [Volunteer positions available](#)
- **Cosumnes River Preserve**
  - Dedicated to the preservation of the land from the Cosumnes headwaters to the Delta.
  - [Volunteer](#) (paused due to COVID)

- **Environmental Council of Sacramento**
  - Achieve regional and community sustainability and a healthy environment for existing and future residents.
  - [Volunteer/ Intern](#)
  - Volunteers can be members of various committees
  - Habitat 2020 Committee
    - Protects lands, waters, wildlife and native plants in the Sacramento region
    - Transportation, Air Quality, Climate Change Committee
      - Provide all residents of Sacramento region with transportation access to jobs, schools, shopping, services and recreation
    - Land Use Committee
      - Advocacy for regionally responsible planning, oversight of proposed development projects with regional significance
    - Organizational Development Committee
      - Deals with organizational structure of the nonprofit, revenue plans, long term strategic plans, individual and organizational memberships as well as public relations and outreach

- **Sustainable Conservation (sponsored by UC Davis)**
  - Work in solving challenges facing land, air and water- bringing together businesses, landowners and government to steward resources
  - Locations in San Francisco and Modesto
  - [Careers](#)
  - No direct internship opportunities listed on their website

- **Sierra Institute for Community and Environment**
  - Promotes healthy and sustainable forests and watersheds by investing in the well-being of rural communities and strengthening their participation in natural resource decision-making programs
  - Has hosted EPM student interns, contact Program Coordinator for more information.
  - [Volunteer, Careers](#)

- **California Coastkeeper Alliance**
  - Advances statewide policies and programs for healthy and clean waters.
  - Has hosted EPM student interns before

- **Sierra Club California**
- Legislative and regulatory advocacy arm for Sierra Club chapters in California
  - Volunteer

- **Groundwater Resources Association of CA**
  - Dedicated to resource management that protects and improves groundwater supply and quality through education and technical leadership.
  - Internships

- **Environmental Defense Fund**
  - Addresses most urgent environmental challenges (climate, oceans, ecosystems, health, etc)
  - Careers
  - Diane Regas & Robert Parkhurst, Friends of EPM list
  - EDF has hosted an EPM student as an intern

- **SeaDoc Society**
  - Ensure the health and marine wildlife and their ecosystems through science and education
  - Has hosted EPM student interns

- **Point Blue Conservation Science**
  - Nature based solutions to climate change, habitat loss and other environmental threats for wildlife and people.
  - Volunteer, Internships and Careers
  - Ellie Cohen, Friends of EPM list

- **SF Estuary Institute**
  - Use independent science to assess and improve the health of waters, wetlands, wildlife and landscapes of the bay and CA Delta
  - Warner Chabot, Friends of EPM list
  - Careers

- **Delta Stewardship Council**
  - Fellowship program
  - Rainer Hoenicke, Friends of EPM list

- **Environmental Systems Research Institute**
  - Specializes in GIS
  - Careers

- **Earth Justice**
  - Nonprofit public interest environmental law organization
  - Careers

- **The Nature Conservancy**
  - Works to conserve lands and waters and works to address the biodiversity and climate crisis
  - Volunteer and Careers
  - Rodd Kelsey, Louis Blumberg, and Eric Holst, Friends of EPM list
Has hosted EPM students as interns

- **California Water Foundation**
  - Advance lasting solutions to secure safe water for people, restore and sustain freshwater ecosystems and build climate resilience

- **Resources Legacy Fund**
  - RLF designs and builds initiatives that address philanthropic partners' aims that draws on policy, law and science expertise- engaging diverse urban communities and conservation constituencies, business leaders & policy officials.
  - [Careers](#)
  - Michael Mantell, Friends of EPM list

- **Native Plant Society, Sacramento Chapter**
  - Has hosted EPM student interns

### III. State/Federal Government agencies

- California Environmental Protection Agency
- California Air Resources Board
  - Joshua Cunningham, Friends of EPM list
- California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery
- California Public Utilities Commission
  - Doug Ito, Ben Turner, Friends of EPM List
- California Department of Pesticide Regulation
- California Department of Toxic Substance Control
- California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
- State Water Resources Control Board
  - [Internships](#)
- California Energy Commission
  - Janea Scott, Friends of EPM list
- California Coastal Commission
- California Strategic Growth Council
  - Randall Winston, Allison Joe, Friends of EPM list
- California Department of Conservation
  - Contact Program Coordinator for more information
- California Department of Food and Agriculture
  - [Internships](#)
  - Casey Cady-Walsh, Ami Gunasekara, Ryan McCarthy, Friends of EPM list
  - Has hosted EPM interns before
- California Governor's Office of Policy and Research
- Ken Alex, Louise Bedsworth, Michael McCormick, Christopher Calfee, Chris Ganson, Friends of EPM list
  - Has hosted EPM interns before
- California Department of Water Resources
  - Internships
  - Kenneth Bogdan, Friends of EPM list
- California Society for Ecological Restoration
  - Careers
- California Coastal Conservancy
  - Sam Schuchat, Friends of EPM list
- California Parks and Recreation
  - Internships
- California Landscape Conservation Cooperative
  - Claudia Mengelt, Friends of EPM list
- Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District
  - Larry Greene, Friends of EPM list
- Sacramento Office of Planning and Environmental Review
- City of West Sacramento
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments
- US Forest Service
- USDA ARS
  - Careers
  - Steve Ostoja, Kara Moore-O’Leary, Friends of EPM list
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
  - Internships
- US Geographical Survey
  - Internships
- National Park Service
- Clean Air Council
- National Marine Sanctuaries
- Natural Resource Conservation Service
- NOAA Fisheries
- UC Co-op Extension, UC ANR

**IV. On-Campus**

- Policy Institute for Energy, Environment and Economy
- Institute of Transportation Studies
- Center for Watershed Sciences
- UC Davis Arboretum & Public Garden
- UC Davis Energy Conservation Office
- UC Davis Climate Adaptation Science Center