

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to apply for a position on the Mammoth Trails Committee. The position on the Mammoth Trails Committee provides the opportunity to work bettering and protecting the region and communities that I love. I am the ideal candidate for this position based on my education, previous experience, and a strong ability to communicate and foster good working relationships.

I am currently expanding my education with a Master of Science in Land Resources and Environmental Science, building upon my B.S. in Natural Resources. Throughout my education, I have taken courses on our environment and human impacts and continue within my master's degree. I have taken several courses on statistics and its proper reporting. Throughout my educational career I have cultivated writing skills which I continue to improve. The position on the Mammoth Trails Committee will allow me to implement many of the skills I learned during throughout my education and while on the job I will continue to gain knowledge applicable to the position.

During my undergraduate degree I worked as the co-coordinator of The Sunshine Community Bike Shoppe. While in this position I wrote, received, and managed two grants totally more than \$50,000. Additionally, I managed the tools and parts budget, ensuring the program stayed within budget while acquiring all that was needed. During day-to-day operations I supplied quality customer service to the patrons of the community bike shop.

While working as a snowboard instructor I cultivated diverse communications styles to ensure that all the clients I worked with fully understood my directions. As a rental technician at Footloose Sports, I communicated with customers and fellow staff members to ensure quality service to all guests. Communication is critical in any position and with quality communication I have built good working relationships at every position I have held.

The position on the Mammoth Trails Committee encompasses a wide range of duties requiring a diverse skill set. During my education and previous positions, I have fostered a diverse skill set that encompasses those required by the committee. While in the position on the Mammoth Trails Committee I will work diligently to master any new skillset required while honing those I already have, to best fit the needs of the position. My previous experience, communication skills, and education combined with a willingness to learn make me the ideal person for the position on the Mammoth Trails Committee. I hope to have the opportunity to survey our community on the Mammoth Trails Committee.

Sincerely,  
Spencer Ostergaard

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### **Work History**

#### **Mono County Public Works: Road Maintenance II**

November 2019 - Current

- Maintained paved, unpaved roads and associated signs
- Snow removal, Road patrol, potential hazards, and maintenance
- Equipment trained on: loader, trackless tractors, and backhoe
- CDL Class B certified

#### **U.S. Forest Service: Forestry Technician (OHV)**

June 2019 – October 2019

- Maintained OHV roads, trails, and facilities
- Repaired and maintained: chainsaws, backhoes, trucks, trailers
- Independent Maintenance projects as needed

#### **Inyo County: Vegetation Monitoring**

June 2018 - August 2018

- Surveyed the Owens Valley vegetation to evaluate groundwater

#### **Footloose Sports: Rental Technician, Sales and Customer Service**

November 2015 - April 2019

- Equipment rental sales using needs based analysis and high level of customer service

#### **Mammoth Mountain Ski and Snowboard School: Instructor**

November 2015 – April 2021

- PSIA/AASI Level 2 Certified Snowboard Instructor
- Awarded Snowboard Instructor Rookie of the Year 2015-2016 season

#### **U.S. Forest Service: Forestry Technician (Fire)**

June 2013 – September 2016

- Performed duties as rookie, leader, and teacher for wildfires fighting and non-fire activities

#### **Sunshine Community Bike Shop**

September 2012 - April 2015

- Wrote, received, and project managed two distinct grants totaling \$50,000 for community run donation based bike shop.

#### **Oak Park, Park District: Maintenance**

June 2012 – August 2012

- Maintenance duties including but not limited to: landscaping, trash removal, sprinkler system, restrooms, vandalism, and all else required.

### **Education**

Oak Park River Forest High School, Oak Park, IL

Graduated 2011

Northland College, Ashland, WI

Graduated 2015

**B.S. Natural Resources with an emphasis in Ecological Restoration**, Minors in Outdoor Education and Environmental Studies.

**Montana State University**

Currently enrolled online

**M.S. in Land Resources and Environmental Sciences**

### **Certifications**

- CDL Class B
- Welding 101 Class- 11/2020
- Faller 2 Chainsaw Certification- Recertified 06/2019
- CPR First Aid- 07/2021
- AIARE 1 Certification- 02/2018
- USFS Defensive Driving- 06/2016
- Additional Wildland Firefighter Certifications

### **Affiliations and Leadership Roles**

- Earth Team Volunteer for the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
- Eagle Scout in the Boy Scout America (BSA)
- Northland College Fire Crew – Crew Boss
- Outdoor Orientation Steering Committee – Logistics
- PSIA/ AASI-Level 2 Snowboard Instructor