



## ANNOUNCING THE BIG THOMPSON WATERSHED FORUM'S

### ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 2017/2018

The Big Thompson Watershed Forum (Forum) will award an environmental scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 to a student attending **Colorado State University** or the **University of Northern Colorado** for the academic year 2017-2018.

Candidates must be an undergraduate student by the Fall 2017 semester and enrolled in an approved academic program with a primary study focus in hydrology, biology, environmental health or sociology, water resources, watershed science, and/or water quality. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0. **Please note:** graduate students will not be considered for this scholarship.

Applications must be submitted to the Forum via email or hard copy by the close of business on September 29, 2017. The application package **must** include all of the following: a resume, three references (contact information only), a copy of the candidate's most recent academic transcripts, and a one-page letter of interest that describes the candidate's course of study, future educational and career plans, past/current volunteer or community work, and a statement about why they believe they should be selected for the award. **All materials must be submitted together as one complete electronic document** (n/a if mailing a hard copy). The top three candidates will be required to complete a 10-minute phone interview.

If selected, the candidate will agree to volunteer and commit to a minimum of 40 hours for the Forum over a 12-month period beginning November 1, 2017. Many volunteer opportunities are available with the Forum that can provide the candidate with unique and valuable learning experiences and networking possibilities.

Applications must be received by **September 29, 2017**. The selected candidate will be announced during the week of **October 23, 2017**. The selected candidate will receive the award at the BTWF's Board of Directors meeting on December 19, 2017.



The mission of the Big Thompson Watershed Forum is to support the protection and improvement of water quality in the Big Thompson Watershed through collaborative monitoring, assessment, and educational/ outreach projects.

**Big Thompson Watershed Forum**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**  
**2017/2018**

**Candidate Requirements**

**Application packet:**

Resume *(freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior student by the Fall 2017 semester)*  
Three references *(contact information only, no letters of recommendation required)*  
Academic transcripts *(3.0 GPA minimum)*  
Application letter *(one-page statement of interest describing the candidate's course of study, educational and career plans, previous/current volunteer or community work, and why the candidate should be selected for the award)*

**\*Note:** Please provide the application materials in one complete electronic document (Word or PDF).

**Acceptable fields of study include:**

Environmental/Civil Engineering  
Environmental Health & Biology  
Environmental Science/Studies  
Environmental Sociology  
Forestry/Soil/Crop Sciences  
Hydrology  
Watershed/Water Quality Sciences

**Forum events and activities:**

(Note: Must volunteer a minimum of 40 hours between Nov. 1, 2017 and Oct. 31, 2018. The top three events are required; the others may be selected based on interest.)

BTWF Board of Directors Meeting	December 19, 2017 <i>(presentation of award)</i>
Loveland, Fort Collins, & Greeley Water Festivals	April-May 2018
City of Loveland Spring Waterway Cleanup	October 2018
USGS Sampling Survey	Date TBD
Water, Wastewater & Lab Facility Field Visits	Date TBD
U.S. Highway 34 River Coordination Meeting	Date TBD
Northern Water East and/or West Slope Tour	June-September 2018
Office and Outreach Assistance	Date TBD

Candidate should submit application packet materials electronically via email or hardcopy by **September 29, 2017**, to Laurie Schmidt. The selected candidate, as determined by the Forum's scholarship committee, will be announced during the week of **October 23, 2017**.

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