

Taylor Ranch

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Assistant Director Sweeney Granite Mountains Desert Research Center UC Riverside Natural Reserve System Title Code 9723 (Museum Scientist) Salary Range (Monthly): \$2,876 to \$4,572 Assistant Director* An opportunity to assist in the management of a rapidly growing University of California research unit in the wild and scenic Eastern Mojave Desert, where there are abundant scientific and teaching possibilities. Located at the hub of the Mojave, Great Basin and Sonoran Deserts, the 9,000-acre Sweeney Granite Mountains Desert Research Center (GMDRC) is one of the fastest growing field stations in North America. With more than 100 current academic research projects, the Center also supports a thriving teaching program. Ranging from 3,700 to 6,800 ft in elevation, Center lands include sweeping bajadas that give way to spectacular granitic boulder topography leading up to sky-island peaks covered by pinyon pine woodland. Facilities include the 2,500 sq ft Allanson Laboratory and researcher dormitories and the Norris Camp teaching cabin and campground. All facilities are solar powered and incorporate other alternative technologies for self-sustaining life in this remote natural area. Recent improvements include high-speed internet, a lecture hall/conference room and new 1700 sq ft Assistant Director's residence (provided rent-free). Effective in 2004, two new endowments (Sweeney and Allanson) will nearly double the previous operational budget. The GMDRC supports multidisciplinary research ranging from organismal biology, plant and animal ecology and physiology, geology, archaeology and other environmental sciences. **Responsibilities. "Assistant Director" title (which falls within the payroll title "museum scientist") more accurately reflects the importance of the position. The Assistant Director is a key member of the senior management team with the GMDRC Director and UCR Campus Director. Primary responsibilities of the position are to assist with daily operations at the Center, including administration and user management, facilities and informational systems, biological monitoring and research, educational programs, database management, museum collections, and public outreach activities. The Assistant Director, under the direction of the Director, may oversee special projects including organizing symposia and workshops, editing and authoring publications, developing volunteer programs, collaborating on land management projects with federal agencies and teaching university-level field courses. Self-motivation, ingenuity, an interest in alternative technologies, and strong interpersonal skills are desired. Applicants must feel comfortable living in a wilderness setting where amenities are sometimes lacking. B.S. degree in environmental science or comparable field required, however, M.S or higher preferred. Salary based on experience and qualifications (\$2,900 to \$4,500 monthly). For more information, please contact the Director. Applications are due February 7, 2004 for (earliest) start date of April 1, 2004, but the position remains open until filled. Please submit a statement of career goals and your interest in the GMDRC, a curriculum vitae and three names with addresses for references to: James M. Andre, Director, University of California, Riverside, Granite Mountains Desert Research Center. PO Box 101, Kelso CA 92309. For a detailed copy of the position description or for additional questions email: granites@telis.org.*