The New Agrarian Program (NAP) partners with skilled ranchers and farmers to offer annual apprenticeships in regenerative agriculture. Together, we create opportunities for comprehensive, full-immersion experiential learning from expert practitioners in professional settings. This program is designed to support the next generation of food producers with a sincere commitment to life at the intersection of conservation and regenerative agriculture. NAP mentors are dedicated stewards of the land; they practice intentional, regenerative methods of food or fiber production, provide excellent animal care, and are skilled and enthusiastic teachers.

**THE BASICS OF BEING A NAP APPRENTICE**

**Contact Hours** - Apprentices can expect approximately 400-600 direct contact hours with their mentor, within an overall training hours of 1200-1600 over an eight month period of six-day work weeks.

**Compensation** - Apprentices will receive a monthly stipend, housing and a partial food allowance from the mentor operation. Quivira staff conduct site visits before and during the apprenticeship and conducts monthly check-ins with both mentors and apprentices.

**Orientation** - Apprentices attend a group orientation in the spring and a mid-season gathering in the summer.

**Bimonthly Evaluation** - Apprentices check in regularly with mentors to review skills checklists and discuss other topics or concerns as needed.

**Ranch/Farm Visits** - Apprentices seek out, arrange, and conduct site visits to other operations to gain exposure to different perspectives and practices.

**Supplemental Education** - Apprentices participate in online instruction covering a range of topics relevant to land and soil health, biological monitoring, and introductory business development and financial management, offered by NAP staff and guest speakers.

**Quivira Conference** - Apprentices attend the annual Quivira Conference. Graduation from the program takes place and is celebrated at the conference.

**NAP Reports** - Each apprentice submits two reports to NAP: 1) a one-page personal introduction, due the second week of the apprenticeship, and 2) a three-page final report and a copy of the completed skills checklist, due November 1.

**Mentor sites in Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico, Colorado & California.**

To check out a list of mentor sites, visit [www.quiviracoalition.org/apprenticeships](http://www.quiviracoalition.org/apprenticeships).

**APPLICATIONS OPEN NOVEMBER 1 and CLOSE DECEMBER 15, 2020**

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