



## **Anthony A. Lapham River Conservation Fellowship** **Academic Mentor**

A candidate for the *Anthony A. Lapham River Conservation Fellowship* program has identified you as his/her potential academic mentor for the Summer 2011 – Summer 2012 fellowship year. This fellowship will focus on one of four areas: freshwater conservation, river restoration, river protection, and climate change adaptation. The applicant should already be working with you on his/her preferred area of focus and research plan.

We request that you send a letter stating that you will serve as this candidate's academic mentor should he/she be chosen for this fellowship. This letter should outline your willingness and ability to provide advice about the fellow's project throughout the year. We anticipate that the mentor will participate with the fellow and staff at American Rivers in developing the fellow's workplan for the year. Additionally, you must be available to provide guidance to the fellow as the project develops. Your letter should also include a brief statement indicating your familiarity with the focus area and preparedness to advise the fellow with their research. If helpful, please include a bio about yourself.

Additionally, by serving as an academic mentor, you can be eligible for \$1000 compensation.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Please include the candidate's full name in your letter as well as your name and contact information. Send your signed letter, preferably on letterhead, electronically to [fellowship@americanrivers.org](mailto:fellowship@americanrivers.org), with the applicant's full name in the subject line.

If you prefer to mail this document, please place it in a sealed envelope with your signature across the flap after sealing. Send to: American Rivers, Anthony A. Lapham River Conservation Fellowship, 1101 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1400, Washington, DC 20005. Please submit your letter stating you will serve as the candidate's academic mentor should he/she be chosen by January 3, 2011.

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