

Alli Langley

Policy Fellow

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Alli joined the Keystone Policy Center in August 2018. As a Policy Fellow, she supports projects primarily within the Center's agricultural and environmental programs at the national, regional, and local levels. She works with multi-stakeholder groups on topics including sustainable agriculture, pollinator health, biodiversity, public land use, mine reclamation, and the social implications of gene editing.

Alli earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Florida with outside concentrations in Spanish and sustainability. Prior to joining the Center, Alli interned for a resource conservation nonprofit and reported on environment, education, health, and outdoor recreation issues for a community newspaper.

Project Experience

Honey Bee Health Coalition

Alli supports this diverse collaboration focused on improving honey bee health in the context of productive agricultural systems and thriving ecosystems. The Coalition includes beekeepers, researchers, regulators, agribusinesses, growers, conservation groups, and others throughout the United States and Canada working together to create and promote solutions in bee forage and nutrition, agricultural management practices, and cross-industry coordination. The Keystone Policy Center is working with these stakeholders to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy for bees and agriculture to continue a sustainable relationship well into the future. Learn more at HoneyBeeHealthCoalition.org. (August 2018 – present)

CRISPRcon: Conversations on Science, Society and the Future of Gene Editing

CRISPR and emerging gene editing technologies could have profound impacts on conservation, agriculture, and human health and raise important questions related to bioethics, environmental impacts, safety, regulation, and public engagement. Keystone is working with thought leaders across sectors to develop programs that both assess the potential of CRISPR to transition from the lab to the outside world and elevate the voices of those who could be impacted by gene editing technologies. Keystone developed agendas for the inaugural CRISPRcon in 2017 with cross-cutting and topic-specific panels, breakout sessions, and networking events featuring leaders from academia, industry, civil society, and government. CRISPRcon speakers represent a range of perspectives from the U.S. and beyond on science, farming, environmental protection, animal health, disease and vector control, patient advocacy, disability rights, racial justice, indigenous cultures, religion, science communications, regulatory systems, and more. In addition to program development and facilitation, Keystone handles logistics and sponsorship for CRISPRcon events. Learn more at CRISPRcon.org. (August 2018 – present)

Farm Labor Practices Group

Alli provides project support for this cross-sector effort to help both farmers and farmworkers producing labor-intensive crops to better understand and comply with labor laws, and to foster improved farm labor

practices, where needed, that shape a worker's experience on the farm. Members include advocacy organizations, grower associations, manufacturers and buyers, regulatory bodies, faith-based investors, and the Office of the Consul General of Mexico in Raleigh. Focus areas include training and education of farmers and farmworkers, effective grievance mechanisms, child labor prevention and youth employment, farm labor contractors, and policy needs. (December 2018 – present)

High Country Workforce Sustainability Regional Collaborative

This collaborative brings together three Colorado mountain counties to increase partnership and leverage collective action to solve long-standing issues affecting the region's workforce, including housing affordability and accessibility, education and career pathways, job stability, commuting and transportation, and the cost of health care and child care. Members include the region's elected representatives, government agencies, large employers, business associations, community nonprofits, and education districts. (November 2018 – present)

Snake River Watershed Task Force

Alli supports the Snake River Task Force, a stakeholder group working to define water quality issues in the Snake River basin and implement appropriate mitigation projects. The Snake River, which flows through Keystone, Colorado, is impacted by mining activities that took place at the turn of the 20th century. The task force comprises conservation organizations, private companies, and federal, state, and local agencies. (September 2018 – present)

Basalt State Wildlife Area Shooting Range

Alli provided project support for facilitation of two public meetings hosted by Colorado Parks and Wildlife about the future of the Basalt State Wildlife Area Shooting Range after a 13,000-acre wildfire that started there destroyed three homes and forced the evacuations of thousands. Alli helped transcribe and synthesize hundreds of public comments from the meetings and produce a summary report. (August 2018 – September 2018)

Employment

Keystone Policy Center

Policy Fellow, Keystone, CO (August 2018 – Present)

- Support facilitation of diverse groups using collaboration to solve vexing public policy issues
- Develop and execute project communication plans
- Write, design, and edit project materials including meeting summaries, final reports, grant applications, correspondence, newsletters, and other communications
- Assist with meeting and conference facilitation and logistics coordination
- Research policy issues

High Country Conservation Center

Community Programs Intern, Frisco, CO (June 2018 – August 2018)

- Assisted with community garden improvements, record keeping, and communications
- Recruited, coordinated, trained, and supervised volunteers during garden work days and zero-waste events; recorded volunteer data for grant reports
- Helped facilitate the Grow to Share program, which offers families in need free nutrition education and locally grown produce from community gardens
- Conducted outreach to local businesses about recycling policy changes and available resources

- Recruited donors for annual fundraising and networking event

Summit Daily News

Staff Reporter, Frisco, CO (March 2014 – October 2015)

- Covered the environment, public land use, outdoor recreation, education, and health beats
- Produced roughly 10 stories a week including weekly features and in-depth stories for the environment and education beats
- Pitched, researched, reported, wrote, and shot photos or gathered visuals for all stories
- Coordinated the first newspaper-moderated public forum in the community in several years
- Won three Colorado Press Association awards for agriculture, health, and education stories

University of Florida Travel and Recreation Program

Lead Outdoor Guide, Gainesville, FL (January 2012 – May 2013)

- Designed, budgeted, and guided multi-day and day trips for groups of university students including a nine-day trail maintenance and backpacking trip on the Pacific Crest Trail
- Managed risk and safety and prepared for emergency medical scenarios with Wilderness First Responder (WFR) training
- Educated participants about Leave No Trace (LNT) principles, facilitated individual personal growth, managed group dynamics, created community, and fostered appreciation and respect for nature
- Mentored another guide through four months of training

Volunteer Service

High Country Conservation Center

Zero Waste Ambassador, Frisco, CO (June 2018 – present)

Quetzaltrекkers Leon

Trekking Guide, Leon, Nicaragua (July 2013 – October 2013)

Education

University of Florida, Bachelor of Science in journalism, outside concentrations in sustainability and Spanish, *magna cum laude*