

Foothill Conservancy News Release
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Foothill Conservancy welcomes new Executive Director Amanda C. Nelson

The 27-year old, Jackson-based Foothill Conservancy is pleased to announce that Amanda C. Nelson has joined the organization as its new executive director.

Amanda comes to the local, nonprofit, grassroots conservation organization after a 25-year career leading and consulting with nonprofit organizations throughout the country. After growing up in the Bay Area, Amanda received her B.A. from U.C. Berkeley. She has lived on the East and West Coasts, the South, and in Europe and Puerto Rico.

“I am excited to join the Conservancy and by the opportunity to live and work in Amador County,” Amanda said. “This beautiful, pastoral setting is truly inspiring.

“Having spoken with some of the Conservancy’s dedicated members, I am reminded that the organization is so much more than one person or leader—it is really a community dedicated to keeping this scenic land and water clean and sustainable for generations to come.”

“We’re delighted to have Amanda join our team,” said Conservancy President Katherine Evatt. “Her tremendous leadership skills and experience will help our organization grow, thrive, and address new challenges.”

The Foothill Conservancy’s mission is to protect restore and sustain the natural and human environment in Amador and Calaveras counties for the benefit of current and future generations. Founded by local residents in 1989 and incorporated in 1990, the Conservancy is the leading organization statewide for conservation and restoration of the upper Mokelumne River and a strong advocate for sustainable land use and local quality of life.

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