## **Tree Citizen Advisory Panel**

Advisory Board Interest Form

### **Candidate Contact Information**

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Do you live within the Apex town limits? Yes

#### **Background Information**

Current Employer North Carolina State University Current Job Title Graduate Student

#### Tell us why you would like to serve?

I love trees and healthy ecosystems. I believe trees play a very large role in helping us to fight climate change and support us in creating healthy environments and ecosystems. In addition, trees help with keeping people healthy, provide us with filtered water, shade, and keep us connected to nature. Trees are magical. Trees need humans for restoration and reforestation and humans need trees for survival.

# Please list any education, special skills, or experience you have that would be useful while considering this form.

I pursue a Master's degree in Climate Change & Society at NCSU.

I have:

-basic GIS knowledge & experience making maps in ArcMap

-knowledge of climate change science

-knowledge of barriers of climate change literacy

-knowledge of adaptation action plans and how to make them more efficient

-research information and climate literacy information on what is expected in NC Triangle region until 2100 -wrote a research essay on how trees benefit public health and ecosystems by facing climate change and urbanization

-summer research of 2021 on water management techniques based on regenerative agricultural practices and how they benefit planted trees

-intern with Leaf & Limb 2021 Summer and support Project Pando

-a large hobby garden (2000 square feet) where I use permaculture practices and sell CSA to a few customers weekly

-sustainability leader: in creating home gardens, plastic reduction

-great interpersonal communication skills

-program management skills

-positive attitude with high energy for projects that benefit Earth and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

If you now serve, or have previously served on any town boards, commissions or committees,

Preferred First Name Veronika

Alternate Phone (work/home)

please list the committees and dates served. N/A