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2010-11 Talasi Brooks



Talasi Brooks graduated from the University of Montana School of Law and the Environmental Studies Program in 2013. After a year clerking for Justice Michael E. Wheat at the Montana Supreme Court for a year, she founded Brooks Law Office, PLLC and joined Advocates for the West as an associate attorney in Boise, Idaho.

While studying at the University of Montana, Talasi held a teaching assistantship at the College of Forestry, completed her required clinic with Western Watersheds Project, and interned with Wilderness Watch in Missoula Montana and with the U.S. Forest Service Climate Advisor's Office in Washington, D.C.

Prior to earning her degrees at the University of Montana, Talasi did trail work and ecological restoration throughout the lower 48 states. You might walk over trail structures she helped build on sections of the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts; in Bandelier National Monument, in New Mexico; on the Pacific Crest Trail, in California; in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, in Idaho; and on the University of Montana's "M" Trail. Her love for wild places, growing from this work, spurred her decision to attend graduate school and law school at the University of Montana.

She received her BA in English from the University of Connecticut.