

Dear Watershed Community,

I'm writing to share that Teddy Lyman and Payton Hoops will not be returning next fall. As with any transition like this we balance two things in our hearts: we are sad that they are moving on, and we are also happy for them and their next steps.

From Payton:

*I am so grateful for my time as the Director of Enrollment Management here at Watershed. As an alum, former wilderness co-leader, former trustee, and now staff member, I am so honored to have been deeply a part of the Watershed community for nearly 15 years. As my personal and professional priorities shift, coupled with the desire for extended travel and/or an out-of-state move, I am excited to transition into a program management role within the social impact sector. Much of my time spent here has inspired my upcoming pivot, as I greatly believe in the work we are doing as a school and with students. I look forward to staying involved with Watershed in the years to come – I certainly won't be a stranger!*

From Teddy:

*I am moving to Midcoast Maine with my partner, Ellie. We went to college there together and grew up in the area. I feel excited to be moving back to the land, communities, and people we already know well. The move is also to be closer to both of our families and to start the next phase of our life. This has been a move we have been planning for several years. Finally, I really want to stress how much I have loved our time in Boulder -- the nature, the people and of course the Watershed Community. I will miss it all.*

I am incredibly grateful to both Payton and Teddy. They have been remarkable colleagues and great mentors for our students. I will personally miss working with them – their wisdom, perspective, and advice to me has been invaluable. And they have done what we all aim to do in life and work: leave things better than you find them.

I'm sure you will all find your own ways to thank them over the next few months.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Warmly,

Tim (and Payton and Teddy!)