Dan Ehresman, former executive director of Northcoast Environmental Center and current project manager of the Northcoast Regional Land Trust, was announced Tuesday as the land trust’s new executive director.

**Northcoast Regional Land Trust hires new executive director**

Dan Ehresman was hired to as executive director of the Northcoast Regional Land Trust, according to a Tuesday announcement.

“I am excited to take on this new role in an organization that plays such an important part in conserving our region’s working lands and restoring vital habitats,” Ehresman said the a news release.

“I feel very fortunate to continue working with an amazing team, outstanding land stewards, and our funding partners towards completion of on-the-ground projects that will benefit generations to come,”

According to the trust’s website, Ehresman moved to Humboldt County in 1998 and has more than 15 years of experience working in the nonprofit sector with conservation-based organizations in Northern California – including serving as executive director of the Northcoast Environmental Center.

It also states he is a board member of the Rose Foundation’s Northern California Environmental Grassroots Fund and serves on the McKay Community Forest Advisory Group.

Ehresman joined the land trust’s staff as project manager in January 2016, according to the release.

“With past experience as an executive director at a local conservation nonprofit, and his current employment with our organization over the last year as a project manager, we are confident that he is the right fit,” the trust’s Board President Greg Blomstrom said in the release.

“We know that Dan will represent and implement the land trust’s mission of conserving the economic viability of working landscapes, while preserving and protecting the natural, educational, scenic and historic values we enjoy here on the North Coast.”

Ehresman is set to begin his new role on March 1, with one month of overlap with the trust’s current executive director Michael Cipra for training and transition of leadership.