



Job Opportunity: Watershed Field Worker

The Winter River-Tracadie Bay Watershed Association was formed in 2008 to protect and enhance the health and aesthetic qualities of the Winter River-Tracadie Bay watershed. The watershed includes communities such as Brackley, Union Road, York, Suffolk, Pleasant Grove, Grand Tracadie, Corran Ban, Mill Cove, Donaldston, Tracadie Cross, and Blooming Point. The area is the primary source of water for the City of Charlottetown. In 2016 we became a registered charity.

Description

Watershed Field Workers are required for the summer of 2017 to carry out restoration projects throughout the watershed area under the guidance of a supervisor. These positions will involve working in and around streams. Depending on candidate qualifications, other special projects may be included, related to education, public relations, water conservation, agriculture, etc.

Responsibilities

The successful candidate(s) will be required to carry out activities such as obstruction removal in and around streams, tree planting, erosion control, installing silt catchers (brush mats), improving fish habitat, working with basic hand tools such as shovels, saws, axes, loppers, pry bars etc. Possible participation in other projects, such as our water monitoring program, public education campaigns, or water conservation program, depending on individual skills and abilities.

Requirements

- Ability to handle physical tasks such as walking for extended periods in various outdoor habitats (fields, woods, streams, etc.) and frequent lifting of heavy items.
- Supply own transportation to job sites within the watershed.
- Provide own clothing, rubber boots, hats, etc. Some specialized equipment is provided.
- Ability to work in various weather conditions.
- Ability to work on a team and support team members to complete challenging projects in a timely manner.

Assets

- Background in biology, wildlife conservation, environmental science, watershed enhancement, or similar.
- First aid training.
- Special skills such as experience with chainsaws, additional languages spoken, or supervisory experience.
- Residence within the watershed area.

Terms of employment

We are hiring for a range of positions, the exact number of positions, and duration of each is dependent on grant funding. Summer staff are generally hired for at least eight weeks, but individuals such as college/university students who are available in May/June may be hired for longer. There may be positions for recent graduates that continue for longer terms. Salaries start at \$12.50 per hour, and increase based on qualifications and experience.

Individuals who wish to be considered for certain student positions, should indicate if they meet the following criteria:

- between 15 and 30 years of age (inclusive) at the start of employment;
- a full-time student during the preceding academic year & returning to school full-time in the fall;
- a student in a secondary, post-secondary, CEGEP (Quebec only), vocational or technical program; and

Preference is also given to qualified candidates who self-identify as Aboriginal or belonging to a visible minority group.

Individuals who wish to be considered for some adult positions, should indicate if they meet the following criteria:

- 30 years of age or older
- Has a current EI claim, or had one in the past three years.

To apply

Send a résumé and cover letter to Sarah Wheatley, Watershed Coordinator
630 Suffolk Road, Dunstaffnage PEI, C1C 0P6 OR info@WinterTracadie.ca

- Applications will be received and evaluated as positions become available, until June 20, 2017.
- Learn more about our association by visiting www.WinterTracadie.ca or [Facebook.com/WRTBWA](https://www.facebook.com/WRTBWA)