Job Opportunity:

Chainsaw Operator/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

A Watershed Field Worker is required for the summer and/or fall of 2017 to carry out restoration projects throughout the watershed area under the guidance of a supervisor. We are specifically looking for someone with chainsaw training, as more chainsaw operators are needed for some projects. This position will involve working in and around streams.

Responsibilities

The successful candidate 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. Activities requiring chainsaw training include cutting standing dead trees in riparian zones, cutting fallen trees from streams, and small patch cuts in aging forests. 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.
- Chainsaw safety training
- Supply own transportation to job sites within the watershed.
- Provide own clothing, rubber boots, hats, etc. Personal protective equipment and waders will be 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.
- Residence within the watershed area.

Terms of employment

Salary starts at \$14 per hour, and increases based on qualifications and experience. This position is available for a maximum of 15 weeks of full time employment (40 hours per week). However, the position is flexible, so current students could work full time in summer, and part time in September through November. Individuals who are only interested in part time work are also encouraged to apply.

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 until a suitable candidate is found.
- Learn more about our association by visiting www.WinterTracadie.ca or Facebook.com/WRTBWA