Job Opportunity: Watershed Technician



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 area. 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 & Responsibilities

A Watershed Technician is required to carry out restoration projects throughout the WRTB watershed area during the fall and winter months. This will include finishing up projects from the summer field season, and helping prepare for future projects. Time will be divided between field and office work, with more field activities in the fall and mostly office tasks in the winter months. Activities may include (but are not limited to):

Field Operations

- <u>Stream enhancement/restoration</u>: Working in and around streams, water monitoring, various surveys and assessments, garbage collection, erosion control
- <u>Forest enhancement/restoration</u>: Working with basic hand tools such as shovels and pruning saws, tree planting, wildlife habitat improvements
- Other: soil sampling, crop mapping, taking GPS points and pictures, trail creation/maintenance, public education campaigns and events, etc.

Office Tasks

- Assisting with report writing and project planning
- Social media post creation and updating organization website
- Data collection and analysis
- · Other tasks as needed

Requirements

- Ability to handle physical tasks such as walking for extended periods in outdoor settings, working in various weather conditions and frequent lifting of heavy items.
- Ability to write in an efficient, professional manner
- Proficient in Microsoft (Excel/Word) and Google Drive (Docs/Sheets)
- Ability to work individually and on a team to complete challenging projects in a timely manner
- Has own vehicle to drive between work locations

Assets

- Background in biology, wildlife conservation, environmental science, watershed enhancement, or similar
- Chainsaw training and experience
- First aid training
- Residence within the watershed area

Must meet the criteria set by funding organization:

- between the ages of 15 and 30 (inclusive) at the contract start date
- Canadian citizen, permanent resident of Canada or a status refugee under Immigration and Refugee Protection Act
- Preference may be given to qualified candidates who self-identify as a youth facing barriers or a member of a minority group.

Terms of employment

Salary is \$19.00 per hour plus 4% vacation pay. Health benefits are available after initial 3-month probationary period.

Work term is a minimum 22 weeks starting approximately August 25th, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter. There is a possibility of a contract extension depending on funding sources and job performance.

Work hours generally range from 7:00/8:00 to 15:30/16:30 respectively, Monday to Friday for 40 hours per week. Some evening and weekend work may be required depending on specific projects.

To apply

Send a résumé <u>and</u> cover letter to Raena Parent, Watershed Coordinator at <u>wrtb.watershed@gmail.com</u>

• Please outline in your cover letter whether you meet the criteria listed by our funding organizations.

Applications will be received and evaluated until a suitable candidate is found.