



Seasonal Restoration Technician

Position Description

Riveredge is more than a nature center. Its legacy as a pioneer in the areas of land restoration, research, and inquiry-based education throughout Wisconsin serve as a strong foundation to its future initiatives. Our mission of is to inspire, inform, and enable responsible environmental decision-making and sustainable practices by providing leadership in education, preserving and restoring Riveredge and other natural areas, and serving as a resource for scientific research.

Position Purpose

The seasonal restoration technician will serve as part of the Riveredge Nature Center team of dedicated staff and provide assistance to dormant season land management objectives. The successful candidate will gain experience in natural area management, plant species identification, invasive species removal, wildlife monitoring, heavy and power equipment utilization, safe herbicide use and application, restoration forestry, GIS mapping and data collection, ornithology, environmental education, and volunteer management.

Primary Responsibilities

- Work long days in the field independently or as part of a crew to remove invasive species and collect positional data for grant tracking purposes
- Assist with vegetation and migratory bird surveys
- Serve as a Rx fire crewmember
- Act as a spotter for timber falling and help yard logs for milling and wood processing
- Assist with RNC's volunteer stewardship program
- Maintain equipment and supplies

Position Expectations

In addition to primary responsibilities, the Seasonal Restoration Technician is expected to meet the following expectations set forth to all staff members of Riveredge Nature Center:

- Meaningfully contribute to the Riveredge staff team. This includes helping with projects, programs, and events that may fall outside of the primary duties or departments of this position description
- Foster an inclusive and supportive environment through personal actions such as supporting and helping other staff members and volunteers
- Provide high quality customer service experiences to all guests and volunteers
- Obtain Herbicide Applicators Certification for Natural Areas and Rx Fire Certification (S130, S190, L100) within 60 days (cost covered).

Compensation and Position Timeline

At this time, the seasonal restoration technician is a part-time seasonal position; however, Riveredge is searching for grant funding to employ this individual full-time for a year term. The pay rate is \$15.00/hr at 16 hours per week from February 5th to June 5th of 2019.

Preferred Qualifications

- Completed coursework in ecology, land management, natural resources or related field
- Experience in field data collection
- Plant identification skills
- Comfort with power equipment and all terrain vehicles
- Experience with herbicide applications and Rx fire

Position open until filled. Please send a letter of interest and resume to Matt Smith, at msmith@riveredge.us.