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Iron County Land & Water Conservation Department 607 3rd Avenue North; Suite 2 Hurley, WI 54534 715/561-2234

Iron County Conservation Field Technician

Three positions will be available to assist the Iron County LWCD in implementing a county-wide Conservation and education initiative in promoting conservation practices. Educational efforts to prevent and control the spread of invasive species, monitoring water quality, and aquatic plant sampling for the biodiversity of native aquatic plant species, are a few of the duties in this position. The position will be part of a conservation technician field crew, focused on aquatic and terrestrial invasive species management and control, water quality monitoring, and shoreline restoration. Work will be conducted mostly in the field with little office time. Rate of pay is \$15/hour; hours are based on 5 days a week at 8 hours/day from May 22 through August 18th.

Start date is negotiable. Deadline for the application is Friday, March 17th by 4 pm.

Duties and Responsibilities – *Education*

- Assist lake associations and landowners in riparian areas to manage invasive species.
- Assist with Clean Boats, Clean Waters, and Citizen Lake Monitoring promotion, workshops, training materials and data recording in statewide database (SWIMS).
- Aide in education programs for local citizens, students, conservation camp attendees, and others including, but not limited to presentations, workshops, trainings, and school programs.
- Distribute AIS outreach materials & conduct boat landing monitoring.
- Carry out media work such as: interviews, articles, press releases, service statements, etc.
- Prepare a final report of activities and present to the Land Conservation Committee.
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Duties and Responsibilities – *Science and Research*

- Identify, confirm, and assist with rapid response efforts for new AIS populations to monitoring personnel and DNR staff.
- Assist in planning, implementation, and treatment of AIS strategies as needed.
- Collect data that it is reliable, accurate, and compatible with statewide data tracking systems (SWIMS).
- Assist with the implementation of the countywide project for purple loosestrife bio-control, working with multiple agencies and partners.
- Assist citizens, county departments, and user groups in coordinated plans and activities for the prevention and control of terrestrial invasive species.

• Conduct water quality monitoring and plant surveys on the Turtle Flambeau Flowage Scenic Waters area and surrounding lakes.

Qualifications

- Enrolled as a college student in a Natural Resource, or Environmental Science, or a related field or equivalent work experience in a water conservation-related field.
- Ability to work outdoors in inclement weather conditions.
- Ability to lift 50 pounds.
- Ability to walk up to 3 miles on uneven terrain.
- Strong commitment to healthy lakes and to solving environmental problems.
- Ability to perform job duties independently with training.
- Ability to deliver and record information, explain procedures, follow directions, and handle confronting boaters.
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and written, with diverse audiences.
- Flexibility and adaptiveness to changing schedules/work duties.
- Valid driver's license and good driving record are required.

Desired Qualifications

- Aquatic and terrestrial invasive species identification and knowledge of local land & water conservation issues.
- Knowledge of State / Federal Laws pertaining to aquatic plants and water conservation.
- Experience in operating a boat/motor and operating a vehicle with trailer & Boater's Safety Certification.
- Proficient with computer software including Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel and Publisher, familiarity with GPS and GIS software is preferred.

County Responsibility

• A county vehicle **may** be available for use by the employee. If no vehicle is available, the employee will be reimbursed for work-related mileage at the current reimbursement rate.

To apply please send your *cover letter, resume and list of references* to:

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