



Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute

Watersheds Program Planting Specialist Position Description – August 2010

Description:

The Watersheds Program Planting Specialist is responsible for assisting Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute (PCEI) Program Staff and AmeriCorps members in the installation of plant material on the Paradise Creek Restoration Project. The PCEI project to daylight Paradise Creek on the University of Idaho campus in Moscow, Idaho will take place during the late summer and fall of 2010.

PCEI works to preserve, protect and restore ecosystems in the Palouse-Clearwater region. This work includes riparian and wetland restoration, watershed planning, water quality protection, biological monitoring, and a focus on native plants and wildlife. Projects are collaborative in nature, involving multiple agencies, organizations, landowners, students and community members.

Responsibilities:

- Work as part of a team to install plant materials according to approved planting plan and techniques.
- Install wetland sod mats according to approved planting plan and techniques.
- Install required mulch and plant protectors according to approved planting plan and techniques.
- Attend scheduled trainings, safety meetings, crew meetings and other necessary planning activities.
- Use both hand and fuel powered tools to complete planting activities.
- Maintain all planting tools and equipment.
- Maintain project task lists and project summary statistics.
- Track and record all implementation details.
- Implement PCEI project to maximize project and staff effectiveness.
- Communicate regularly with Project Manager on project needs, project progress and related issues.
- Participate in project maintenance activities such as weeding, watering and other related tasks.
- Abide by all project and onsite safety requirements.
- Complete tasks as assigned.

Preferred qualification:

- Proven ability to work long days in the outdoors in unpredictable weather conditions.
- Proven ability to effectively work as part of a team.
- Able to operate 4-wheel drive standard transmission while pulling an 18' trailer.
- Planting and plant Identification skills.
- Ability to understand and interpret planting plans.
- Experience operating hand and fuel powered tools such as weed eater, brushhog mowers, augers, shovel, etc.
- Capable and willing to lift heavy loads.
- Able to successfully work under tight project timelines.



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Requirements of the position are:

- Comply with all safety codes and requirements determined by PCEI, McMillen, LLC. and the Army Corps of Engineers.
- To own or obtain steel-toed work boots for daily use on the project.

Position Start Date: September 1, 2010 (hours may be available in August)

This is a paid position that will require flexible scheduling as we are working in conjunction with the excavation and construction timeline of the project. This position is not fulltime, but may require fulltime work during some weeks during the August to October project implementation timeframe. Weekend work may be required.

Please submit resume, cover letter, application and two references to

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