



WETLAND MONITORING ASSISTANT (1)
Oshawa, ON - April 28th to August 29th, 2008 (18 Weeks)

Job Description

The Assistant will work primarily with the Wetland Monitoring Biologist on a long-term project, the Durham Region Coastal Wetland Monitoring Project. Additional work may involve assisting other summer staff with monitoring various terrestrial biological communities at local Conservation Areas. The work involves canoeing, wading through wetlands in chestwaders (conditions can be hot and buggy) and hiking through dense vegetation. Turbidity and other water quality measurements will be collected throughout the term of the contract. Submerged aquatic vegetation and fish sampling will be conducted during August. Ecological Land Classification fieldwork may be conducted in and adjacent to wetlands and in other vegetation communities throughout the CLOCA jurisdiction.

The work will be primarily in the field (approximately 70%) with the remaining time spent on various duties in the office (e.g. data entry). The Assistant **must** be able to work occasional mornings or evenings to help with bird and amphibian surveys. The Assistant will be required to supervise co-workers on occasion.

The pay for this position is \$12.00 per hour based on a 35-hour work week. The employee must comply with CLOCA's Health and Safety Policy.

Qualifications

The following are mandatory:

- University or college student specializing in biology/natural resources (3rd or 4th year student or equivalent experience)
- Ability to complete a variety of monitoring tasks with minimal supervision (i.e. dependable)
- Supervisory skills
- Comfort with fieldwork and equipment
- Plant identification skills (especially wetland plants)
- Canoeing experience
- Computer and keyboarding skills, including experience with Microsoft Office
- Ontario driver's license
- Transportation to the CLOCA office

The following are desirable, but not mandatory:

- Bird identification skills
- ArcGIS software knowledge
- Experience with GPS technology
- Current first aid/CPR certification

NOTE: Position is pending employment program funding approval. The successful candidate must be between the ages 15-30 years old (inclusive); must be registered as full time students in the previous year and intend to return to school on a full-time basis in the next academic year; be Canadian citizen, legally entitled to work in Canada.

Send resume and cover letter to:

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We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.