

Job Description: Wetland Restoration Intern

Organization Overview:

Little River Wetlands Project (LRWP) is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit land trust founded in 1990 by a group of citizens concerned that 85% of Indiana's wetlands have been destroyed. Our mission is to restore and protect wetlands in the watershed of the Little River, a major tributary of the Wabash River, and to provide educational opportunities that encourage good stewardship of wetlands and other natural ecosystems. We protect 1,304 acres in Allen and Huntington Counties in Indiana, including five wetland nature preserves and a 140-acre conservation easement on private land. Our free wetland education programs that include community events, hikes, nature presentations, children's field visits, family programs and more serve about 12,500 people annually.

Minimum Qualifications

- Enrolled in a university bachelor program studying environmental science, natural resource management, or related subject;
- Familiarity with Indiana's natural communities of plants and animals is desirable;
- Experience using outdoor power equipment, or ability to learn;
- Ability to carry out multiple tasks in an independent and unstructured work setting;
- Ability to lift 50 pounds or more desirable;
- Ability to hike uneven terrain for 1-3 miles a day with up to 30lbs on back.

Job Duties

- Use herbicide to control invasive plant species using backpack and power sprayers;
- Mechanical removal of invasive species: mowing, pruning, etc.;
- Assist with data collection;
- Assist with planting native trees, plants, and seeds;
- Assist with directing volunteers;
- Follow all proper safety procedures;
- Supervised by Director of Preserves and Programs, works on-site with property staff;
- Other duties as assigned.

Compensation

• \$8 per hour, no benefits

Parameters of the Wetland Restoration Internship

Type: Part time (20 hours/week on average), Professional, Seasonal (Mid May to Early August) **Hours:** Monday – Friday 10:30am-2:30pm; flexible to accommodate weather and weekend events

Pay Basis: Hourly

Education requirements: High school diploma, enrolled in college **Working Conditions:** Outdoors, uneven terrain, all weather conditions

Travel: Limited

Number of Positions: 2

Submit resume by March 1 to: Betsy Yankowiak, Director of Preserves and Programs at info@lrwp.org.