



Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority Land Stewardship Technician - Job Posting

Land Stewardship Technician

LOCATION: 100 Thames Street, Chatham, ON, N7L 2Y8 and 8348 Longwoods Road, Mt. Brydges ON, N0L 1W0

DEPARTMENT: Conservation Services

REPORTING TO: Manager of Conservation Lands and Services

DATE POSTED: 2018-12-17

CLOSING DATE: 2019-01-05

APPROXIMATE START DATE: 2019-02-05

POSITION TYPE: Full time (1 year probationary period)

PURPOSE OF POSITION:

- Work directly with farmers, farm organizations, funders and private landowners to implement natural heritage features such as tree plantings, tall grass prairie (TGP), and wetlands.
- Work with project team to implement tree planting program, wetland and prairie projects.
- Complete grant writing applications.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct site visits with private landowners
- Design projects using GIS applications such as ArcMap
- Order seedlings, TGP seed, and other project materials
- Implement projects, supervise seasonal tree planters, administer program
- Host workshops and attend outreach events
- Ensure equipment is maintained and in safe working condition and ready to use
- Complete reporting for funding organizations such as Forests Ontario and OPG
- Handle plant material, plan, communicate with landowners and other project partners
- Liaison with partnering Conservation Authorities, ALUS, MNRF, Ducks Unlimited, First Nations and other interest groups
- Seek funding through grant writing and partnerships
- Assist other Conservation Services staff with tree planting, wetland, prairie and other stewardship projects
- Report to other departments as necessary/assigned



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QUALIFICATIONS:

- A diploma/ degree in Environmental Studies, Forestry, Natural Resource Management or similar background
- Strong communication skills, ability to work with private landowners and other community members
- Experience using GIS, GPS and related applications
- 3 to 4 years of experience in a similar position
- Excellent organizational skills
- Experience with tree planting, natural restoration methods, and tree species identification
- Familiarity with farm equipment, ATV's, heavy equipment, and associated maintenance preferred
- Strategic thinking skills and an ability to work well in a team atmosphere
- Class G drivers licence
- Herbicide application licence an asset
- Provide proof of "Police Vulnerable Sector Check"

COMPENSATION & HOURS:

Wage: \$25.43/hr (Wage pending on applicant's experience)

Weekly Hours: 35 Hours

Vacation Time: 2 Weeks

Employment Duration: Full time with benefits after 3 months and dependent on performance review.

Please send a resume and cover letter **by January 5th, 2019** noting this position to:

Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority

100 Thames Street

Chatham, ON N7L 2Y8 or

Fax: 519-352-3435 or

Email: randall.vanwagner@ltvca.ca

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

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