Conservation Services Assistant

LOCATION: 100 Thames Street, Chatham, ON, N7L 2Y8
DEPARTMENT: Conservation Services
REPORTING TO: Greg Van Every – Environmental Project Coordinator

DATE POSTED: 2019-03-13
CLOSING DATE: 2019-04-16
APPROXIMATE START DATE: 2019-04-23

PURPOSE OF POSITION:
The Conservation Services Assistant will assist the LTVCA Stewardship Department and will work primarily on private lands to complete reforestation projects in the Authority Watershed. The work will involve some physically demanding tasks; the employee must be comfortable working in inclement weather, extreme temperature, dusty environments and around insects. The Conservation Services Assistants’ duties will be to machine and hand plant trees and tall grass prairie on restoration projects planned for the spring planting season. Additional projects may be assigned for pursuit as necessary.

QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Education in Environmental Studies, Natural Resource Management or similar background
2. Experience tree planting, natural restoration methods, species identification, and familiarity with farm equipment, ATV’s, and other heavy equipment, herbicide applicator license preferred
3. Ability to work in a team environment, flexible working conditions/hours and an ability to work well in all weather conditions
4. Must have personal vehicle for transportation to cold storage facility
5. Steel toed safety boots and minimum class G license required

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:
1. Plant vegetation including tree seedlings, prairie plugs, seed; using proper stock handling techniques
2. Sorting, packaging and labeling tree seedling orders at cold storage facility
3. Operate various hand tools and equipment
4. Herbicide application on tree plantations
5. Communicating with landowners and other project partners
6. Ability to work in a team environment
7. Some heavy lifting is required
8. Must be capable of walking, standing, crouching, and bending for long durations
9. Comfortable riding on moving equipment such as machine planters, ATV, Kubota
COMPENSATION & HOURS:
Wage: $15.00/hour
Weekly Hours: 35 Hours or more
Employment Duration: 6-8 week contract
Estimated End Date: June 15th, 2018

Please send a resume and cover letter by April 16, 2018 noting this position to:
  Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority
  100 Thames Street
  Chatham, ON N7L 2Y8 or
  Fax: 519-352-3435 or
  Email: Greg.VanEvery@ltvca.ca

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