



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

TITLE: Stream Restoration Technician

DEPARTMENT: Eastern Conservation

REPORTS TO: PA Coldwater Habitat Program Manager

POSITION TYPE/HOURS: Seasonal / Six Month Term / 40 hrs.

ABOUT TROUT UNLIMITED

Trout Unlimited is a national organization with 300,000 members and supporters organized into over 400 chapters and councils nationwide. These dedicated grassroots volunteers are matched by a respected staff of organizers, lawyers, policy experts, and scientists, who work out of more than 45 offices across the country. Our mission is to conserve, protect, and restore North America's cold-water fisheries and their watersheds.

POSITION SUMMARY

Trout Unlimited in Pennsylvania is looking for an energetic, hardworking, and motivated individual to join our growing staff for seasonal employment in 2019. This position will collaborate with a multitude of federal, state, and NGO partners across Pennsylvania to restore aquatic connectivity, develop instream habitat, and promote the long-term values associated with aquatic restoration. Projects will include road crossing assessments, restoration designs, large wood installations, construction oversight and monitoring of restoration projects on both public and private lands. We are looking to fill this entry-level, temporary position with a negotiable early spring start date and an anticipated end date of October 1st, 2019. Some potential exists for extension with a maximum 6-month term. Ideally, the position will be based out of the Lock Haven, PA field office with travel to project sites across the state.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Implement habitat improvement, bank stabilization, and aquatic organism passage projects across Pennsylvania.
- Create appropriate habitat in headwater streams using tools including: chains saws, gas powered drills, gas powered jack hammers, grip hoist, hand tools, pulleys, levers.
- Transport gear on a daily basis (up to 50 lbs.) over difficult and remote terrain.
- Work as a team with a high degree of coordination and communication.
- Keep a positive attitude and follow directions while conducting physically demanding work, often in inclement weather.
- Maintain equipment and report maintenance/equipment needs to supervisor.
- Perform all duties with safety as top priority.
- Additional duties in support of the watershed program may be required and include, but are not limited to: tree planting, conducting stream surveys, supporting culvert replacement projects, water temperature monitoring, and education/outreach.
- This is a non-supervisory position, but it does include oversight of contractors.

This is not an all-inclusive list of duties and responsibilities.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Demonstrable experience with physically demanding work.
- Ability to quickly acquire skills and learn new techniques.
- Willing to work long days in challenging environments.
- Possess strong communication skills.
- Working knowledge of watershed health and function.
- A valid driver's license and the ability to pass background checks for employment.
- A strong passion for native fishes and the watersheds upon which they rely.
- Ability to work cooperatively in a team with varied skills, abilities and perspectives.
- Ability to think creatively, keep an open mind, and take constructive criticism.
- Experience with construction oversight and/or operating heavy equipment is preferred.

Competitive candidates will have one or more of the following:

- Chainsaw experience and/or certification
- Trail maintenance or construction experience
- Previous field work
- Knowledge of fish habitat
- Knowledge of hydrology
- Tree identification knowledge
- Knowledge of basic mechanical repair
- First Aid/CPR training
- Previous leadership or teamwork experience

HOW TO APPLY

Please send a letter of interest and resume to Jake Tomlinson at jacob.tomlinson@tu.org. No phone calls please. Open until filled.

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