



Harrison County Conservation Board Seasonal Conservation Intern

Job description:

The Conservation Intern is a seasonal position that tentatively runs from May through September depending on school schedules. This position will work with all Harrison County Conservation staff and functions and reports to Willow Lake Recreation Area each day. This position receives a wage of \$11.50 - \$12.50/hour with the expectation of a 40-hour work week. Some holiday, weekend, and evening hours are required. **HOUSING MAY BE AVAILABLE**

Duties and responsibilities:

This position will assist in all aspects of park maintenance including but not limited to: mowing, trimming, mulching, painting, facility cleaning, trash removal, and basic equipment, facility and vehicle repair. Interns will also assist in all aspects of natural area management including but not limited to: invasive species removal, prairie restoration, prairie planting, trail maintenance, and aspects of prescribed fire operations. Interns will also be involved in educational events such as nature center programs, classroom visits, public events and parades.

Essential skills:

Conservation Interns should have the ability to work independently and in a group setting. They must also be able to maintain professionalism and integrity while working independently or under varying types of supervision. This position requires the ability to safely operate or the ability to learn how to safely operate equipment such as: zero-turn mowers, UTVs, tractors, trimmers, chainsaws, brush cutters, pole saws, pruning tools, and basic construction power and hand tools. Interns must also be able to routinely lift up to 50 lbs. and be able to work in difficult environmental conditions such as steep terrain, extreme weather conditions and periods of rigorous labor.

Qualifications and preferences:

Applicants must be 18 years of age or a graduating high school senior. Applicants must also have a valid driver's license and dependable transportation. Strong communication and interpersonal skills with coworkers, supervisors, and the general public are important. Preference may be given to applicants who have entered or plan to pursue a degree in natural science. Internships may qualify for college credit. Successful applicants must pass a pre-employment physical exam.

Application information: Application can be found online at:

<https://www.mycountyparks.com/Jobs/Default.aspx>

Submit a cover letter and completed application form to:

Mike Weis, Park Ranger/Operations Supervisor
Harrison County Conservation Board
2725 Easton Trail
Woodbine, IA 51579

Or email to: mweis@harrisoncountyparks.org

Deadline: Cover letters and applications must be received no later than **February 17th, 2023.**

For more information: call Mike Weis at 712-647-2785