Vegetation Management Field Assistant

Are you passionate about the environment with a strong interest in protecting and learning about our native grassland ecosystem? The Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation is looking for a summer student to work as a Vegetation Management Field Assistant.

The successful candidate will work as part of a team in undertaking invasive plant control and conservation programs in Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park* for the Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation.

Contract Term: May 15, 2023 – August 31st, 2023
Positions Available: 1
Remuneration range: $17.50/hour (based on a 40-hour work week)

Responsibilities include:

- Participation in the implementation of the invasive plant control program at Glenbow Ranch.
- Data collection of invasive plants and other species.
- Supporting Sprague's Pipit habitat restoration and involvement with various other conservation projects.
- General maintenance activities will be required.
- Assistance with GRPF educational programs & visitor experiences.
- Working in conjunction with the Government of Alberta staff to meet work schedules and goals.
- Collaborating with our amazing volunteers on various projects.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Working towards or having completed a degree or diploma in environmental science, conservation, or a related field.
- Must be under 30 (for grant purposes)
- Plant identification skills including knowledge of basic terminology and plant parts.
- Physically fit (a level of physical fitness conducive to taking on fieldwork activities that include lifting moderate loads, walking, and strength and flexibility required for biological fieldwork).
- Experience working outdoors (eg. landscaping) and willing and able to work in all kinds of weather.
- Class 5 operators' license.
- Ability to work independently and have demonstrated the ability to work as part of an interactive group.
- Strong organizational and time management skills, accuracy, and strong attention to detail.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work with volunteers, lead programs and interact positively with members of the public.
- Any of the following would be considered definite assets:
  - Advanced plant identification skills such as the ability to key out species and the ability to spot identify invasive plants.
  - Bird identification skills.
  - Pesticide applicator assistant license or full pesticide applicators license.
  - Experience using systems and software such as GPS, GIS, Windows, word processing, spreadsheets, and databases.
- If successful in competition must produce:
  - A criminal record and vulnerable sector check (obtained from "home" police department), and driver abstract on the first day of work.
  - Valid First Aid & CPR certification.
- Please note: A vehicle is required to reach the park from Calgary or Cochrane.

APPLICATION PROCESS: Submit resume & cover letter via email to experienceglenbow@grpf.ca.
APPLICATION DEADLINE: When position is filled.

*Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park is situated along the north banks and escarpments of the Bow River between Calgary and Cochrane. It is one of Alberta's newest provincial parks, protecting a variety of natural and cultural resources. Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation is co-developing the park with the province.