



JOB DESCRIPTION

Title: **Land Steward Interns** (2 positions)
(short-term: approximately June 5, 2017 – July 20, 2017)
Supervisor: Land Steward
Location: Hopewell Township, New Jersey
Preparer: Beth Craighead, Land Steward
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Summary of Position:

The Land Steward Intern will assist the Stewardship Director and Land Steward of Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space (FoHVOS).

The primary activities that the Land Steward Interns will fulfill are field work and project administration. Field work will consist of performing control of invasive species, boundary posting, rare species monitoring and some native plant gardening. Administrative activities will include GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping and data management. The Land Steward Interns will be supervised by the Land Steward.

Duties:

1. Perform control activities to eradicate emerging and widespread populations of invasive species. Control activities will include mechanical removal and application of herbicides.
2. Use a GPS to post the boundaries of FoHVOS preserves.
3. Rare species monitoring, this includes searching for rare species and management of threats.
4. Perform other tasks as assigned by the Stewardship Director and Land Steward.
5. Conduct physically strenuous field work in rugged terrain.

Entrance Requirements:

1. Enrollment in or completion of Bachelor's degree program in ecology, natural resource management or related fields focusing on conservation is preferred, but not required.
2. Knowledge of invasive species identification and management is preferred, but not required.
3. Willingness to become a Certified Pesticide Operator under the supervision of the Land Steward and willingness to use herbicides is required.
4. Knowledge of herbicide use is preferred, but not required.
5. Knowledge of GPS/GIS and the flora/fauna of New Jersey is preferred, but not required.

Agency/Program Description: Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space is a nonprofit land trust that is dedicated to preserving the Valley's character through open space and farmland preservation, and natural resource protection. Since our inception in 1987, we have partnered with landowners, government and nonprofit organizations to preserve over 4,000 acres of open space and farmland.

Salary and Hours: The salary for the internship is \$12.00/hour with a 32-hour work week for 7 weeks, Monday-Thursday, (225 hours total). Housing is not provided. Personal transportation required.

To apply, please send the following materials by *April 2, 2017*:

1. A resume (maximum of two pages)
2. A cover letter addressing how your education/experience qualifies you to accomplish the job duties listed above
3. Names, e-mail addresses, phone numbers, and mailing addresses of three references to:

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