



Great Lakes Stream Restoration Program

Open Position ~ Job Description

Position: Aquatic Resources Field Technician
Position Term: Seasonal Temporary
Reports To: Great Lakes Stream Restoration Manager
Department: Eastern Conservation
Closing Date: Until Filled

About Trout Unlimited

Today, Trout Unlimited (TU) is a national organization with more than 150,000 volunteers organized into about 400 chapters nationwide. These dedicated volunteers are paired with a respected staff of organizers, lawyers, policy experts and scientists, who work out of more than 30 offices. Our mission is to conserve, protect and restore North America's cold-water fisheries and their watersheds.

Position Summary

TU is seeking a seasonal Aquatic Resources Field Technician (up to 2 vacancies). The anticipated employment date range is June - November 2017 with possibility of extension or re-hire (pending funding). The position will require overnight travel and will work on average 20 hours per week, not to exceed 40 hours per week. Some weekend work will be required. The technician will assist TU staff with projects aimed to restore aquatic connectivity, in-stream habitat, and promote the long term values associated with aquatic restoration. The ideal candidate will be motivated and have some background knowledge in the areas of stream ecology, fisheries science, and fluvial geomorphology. Project duties will primarily include field data collection using survey equipment (e.g., laser level, total station, etc.). Other duties will include various biological assessments, and possible assistance in project designs, construction oversight, and project monitoring. Additionally, position duties will involve assistance in grant writing and reporting, community education and outreach. Project work areas are primarily located in Northern Michigan (Lower Peninsula) with possibilities in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Conduct a variety of stream surveys including geomorphic assessments, aquatic organism passage assessments and biological assessments
- Assist in project implementation and on-site construction
- Assist in project budgeting and reporting
- Assist in grant writing
- Coordinate education and outreach efforts with project partners and general public
- Attend project planning meetings as necessary
- Assist in the planning, training and coordination of volunteer-based programs

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

Qualifications

- Working towards or completed a B.S. in a field related to fisheries management, aquatic ecology, watershed management, geomorphology, or biological systems engineering.
- Experience using surveyor's equipment (e.g., laser level, total station, etc.).
- Experience in biological assessments (e.g., macroinvertebrates, fish, habitat, etc.).
- Experience in data entry using Microsoft Excel and Access.
- A working knowledge of principles and practices of fisheries and aquatic resource management.
- Ability to work independently and in a team setting.
- Good written and oral communication skills.
- Experience with ESRI GIS software preferred.
- Ability to work in rugged terrain often transporting heavier field equipment.
- Passion for protecting and restoring trout populations and their watersheds.

How to Apply

Please send a letter of interest, resume and 3 professional references to Jeremy Geist, Trout Unlimited's Great Lakes Stream Restoration Manager at jgeist@tu.org.

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