

JOB POSTING

Conservation Crew Technician (Cranbrook)

The Nature Trust of British Columbia is a leader in land conservation in the province. We are a non-profit, non-advocacy group that seeks a balance between sustaining our environment and sustaining our economy. We acquire ecologically significant land and then manage this land in order to protect the natural diversity of wildlife and plants, and their critical habitats. In order to help care for the land, The Nature Trust and our partners fund an annual Conservation Youth Crew program that carries out land management activities on conservation properties throughout the province, including the Kootenay region.

Description:

As a crew member based in Cranbrook, you will assist in a variety of operations and maintenance activities. You will also be involved with assessments, monitoring and ecosystem restoration work. There will be opportunities to engage with volunteers, land management professionals and the public on different properties in the East and West Kootenay. You will receive work-based learning and some training courses. This position will provide experience in conservation land management with an organization that has a strong reputation for conserving diverse wildlife and plant habitat across the province.

Duties:

- ◆ Property inspections on conservation lands that may include wildlife and habitat inventory, GPS and mapping functions, reporting of illegal activities, and assessment and repair of fence lines, signage and other property infrastructure.
- ◆ Provide basic maintenance to the ecological integrity of properties by removing invasive plants, rubbish and replanting native vegetation.
- ◆ Contribute to environmental assessment and monitoring of the ecological condition of properties.
- ◆ Responsible for pre- and post-project monitoring to assess effectiveness (i.e. photo plots, vegetation monitoring, wildlife tree assessments, etc.).
- ◆ Assist in the preparation of a year-end report and recommendations for future.
- ◆ Assist in the completion of large ecosystem restoration projects.
- ◆ Represent and promote The Nature Trust of BC Conservation Crew program in a respectful and effective manner.

Requirements:

- ◆ Have an education relevant to Natural Resource Management (environmental studies, biology, forestry, ecological restoration, resource management, etc.).
- ◆ Related paid or volunteer experience working outdoors in the environmental field.
- ◆ Knowledge and/or passion for the natural environment (fish, wildlife and plants) in BC.
- ◆ Self-motivated, with a strong work ethic and a willingness to learn.
- ◆ Physical fitness to handle an active day of work on your feet, in variable weather conditions with some heavy lifting.
- ◆ Ability to work cooperatively and effectively in a team-based work environment.
- ◆ Willingness to occasionally work remotely for several days at a time, which may include front-country/back-country camping.
- ◆ Comfortable with various hand and power tools, and operating a Nature Trust pickup truck and off-road vehicles.
- ◆ Possess a valid Class 5 BC Driver's Licence (or equivalent) and willing to submit a driver's abstract.

Wage Rate:

- ◆ \$16/hr

Work Term, Location and Hours:

- ◆ Work Term: May 1st until October 31st (negotiable).
- ◆ 36hrs/week, generally 9 hour days (Monday-Thursday).
- ◆ The position will be based out of The Nature Trust Cranbrook office, located at the BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development building
 - 205 Industrial Road G, Cranbrook, BC V1C 7G5
- ◆ Travel pay will be provided to compensate for expenses for all overnight work.

For More Information & To Apply:

If you have questions about the job posting, please contact:

- ◆ Joe Strong, Kootenay Conservation Land Coordinator: (250) 464-0559
jstrong@naturetrust.bc.ca

Applications will be accepted until March 14, 2019 at 4:30pm (MDT).

To apply, email a cover letter and resume, which explain how you are qualified for this position to Joe Strong, Kootenay Conservation Land Coordinator, at jstrong@naturetrust.bc.ca

We thank you for your interest. Only those being considered for the position will be contacted.