

The Fraser Valley Conservancy is looking for two Frog Field Technicians to join our team this summer!

The Fraser Valley Conservancy is looking for two field technicians to help us with the Bullfrog Control and Biodiversity Research program in July through September. Your work will focus on helping to control invasive bullfrogs, documenting how they are interacting with the habitat, and assisting with wetland monitoring. You will be trained and supervised by an experienced project coordinator as part of a larger team of biologists specializing in local ecosystems. If you are interested in a unique position helping to conserve biodiversity this summer, this could be the job you're looking for!



Position Details:

This is a 13-week term position, full-time at 35 hours/week.

Rate: \$18.00/hour plus 4% vacation paid out hourly. Mileage compensated as required to get to field site.

Start date: July 5, 2021

End date: September 30, 2021

July and August: Nighttime field work (7pm – 2am)

- Bullfrog control: hands-on manual and chemical euthanasia of invasive animal species, including egg masses and adults.
- Habitat use data collection: using GPS to record locations and quantify habitat features when amphibians are encountered.
- Roadside amphibian call surveys: recording presence of calling frogs.

September: Daytime field work and data management (9am – 4pm)

- Amphibian trapping: trap, record and release native species in a wetland.
- Wetland monitoring: record plant species, wetland structure, and other habitat metrics.
- Data entry: compile data from field work sessions and perform quality checks.
- Data evaluation: assess data from audio recording units for bullfrog calls.



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Frog Field Technicians

Required Skills:

- Experience following protocols to collect data in the field.
- Detail oriented with highly developed observation skills.
- Comfortable working in remote areas at night on the water.
- Be physically fit and comfortable working outside in all weather conditions.
- Experience canoeing or kayaking for long periods.

To qualify for this position, you must:

- Have access to a reliable personal vehicle as the work will take place in rural East Chilliwack.
- Be comfortable undertaking manual euthanasia of bullfrogs using both physical and chemical methods.
- Be between 15 and 30 years of age as of July 5th, 2021.
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment.
- Be able to start July 5th and be available to work 5 days per week, every week, July through August.

Availability:

Applicants must be able to work a flexible schedule with combination of weather-dependent night work and day work. During July and August the work will be exclusively at night, September will switch to day work. For the nighttime work in particular, you will be required to sleep during the day and work at night to ensure work quality and safety needs are met.

Additional Assets:

- Experience with amphibian inventories, especially local species at risk.
- Living in or near the Chilliwack area.
- Nighttime field work experience.
- Direct experience with bullfrog control.
- Experience analyzing audio recording unit data.

How to Apply:

To apply, please email your resume and a brief cover letter outlining how your skills make you an ideal candidate for this position: Jenn@fraservalleyconservancy.ca.

Positions will be filled as suitable candidates are discovered. Candidates selected for interviews will be contacted within 3 business days of submitting their application.

Otherwise, applications will close midnight, June 27, 2021.

Thank you to all who apply, only candidates who are selected for interviews will be contacted.



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