

## **Job Description – Clean Leadership 2019 Program**

### **Summary of the Program**

The Clean Leadership program (formerly Nova Scotia Youth Conservation Corps or Youth Corps) was established in 1989 to provide Nova Scotian youth with training and employment opportunities in the environmental field. This program engages community partners across the province to hire students to carry out work in the summer months that fosters environmental stewardship. The Clean Leadership program provides Nova Scotian youth with green sector work experience, an enhanced appreciation of the environment and their community, and develops skills for life-long learning (including team-building and leadership skills, increased knowledge for future employment and/or education ventures, program evaluation techniques, and the ability to give back to their community and their environment.

### **Job Title - Buffer Zone Facilitator (2 positions available)**

**Wage - \$13.25**

### **Summary of Position**

The community partner for this Summer Student Intern position through the Clean Leadership program will be *Tusket River Environmental Protection Association*, reporting to *the TREPA Executive Director*. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for outreach to shoreline property owners, including conducting public meetings and one-on-one outreach; assisting property owners in developing their buffer zones and facilitating other changes to shoreline management, as decided by the owners; water quality sampling and monitoring; data-collecting and reporting on all the above. The successful candidate needs to have some background in environmental science; a sincere desire to help property owners address water quality issues and genuine respect for the decisions owners make; willingness to work flexible hours as per schedules of property-owners; ability to swim; knowledge of canoe handling an asset; ability to manage and analyse data an asset; students with allergies to insect stings are not encouraged to apply.

### **Community Partner**

TREPA is a volunteer-driven environmental NGO which addresses environmental concerns primarily in the Tusket catchment and Yarmouth County, mainly through education, research land acquisition, and advocacy. In recent years, various issues related to fresh water quality have received a large part of our attention and action. The office is located in the town of Yarmouth.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Participation in initial training, orientation, and project planning
- Planning activities with specific communities
- Working with TREPA/SNBRA staff in community meetings and ultimately facilitating community meetings in up to ten communities
- Working one-on-one with riparian property owners to consider and plan changes and assist in implementation of the changes

- Water quality sampling and monitoring
- Data-collecting related to outreach and water quality monitoring activities
- Reporting on all aspects of work, including evaluation of the assignment

## **Requirements/Qualifications**

*These are the qualifications that are necessary for someone to be considered for the position.*

- Must be a Canadian citizen or legally entitled to work in Canada;
- Must be between the ages of 15 and 30;
- Must be a full-time student and intending to return to school in fall 2019;
- Is not a member of immediate family of community partner;
- Have an aptitude for safe work practices and the ability to multi-task in a busy work environment;
- Be able to work productively as part of a team while responding to feedback;
- Demonstrated interest in future employment in the environmental or 'green' sector is considered an asset;
- Ability to swim;
- Knowledge of operating a canoe an asset.

## **Working Conditions**

Will include outdoor work along shores of lakes and watercourses in hot weather; exposure to stinging insects, leeches, and ticks is quite possible. Water quality sampling will be done out of a boat or canoe.

## **Physical Requirements**

Ability to swim essential for safety reasons; ability to handle a canoe an asset; physical demands are moderate but should be able to handle a spade or shovel.