

MONTGOMERY SOIL AND WATER

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

4001 STHWY 5S, FULTONVILLE, NY 12072-1721

For: District Technician Assistant

**Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District & Capital/Mohawk PRISM
Watercraft Launch Steward (Seasonal)**

PRISM is Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management. The Watercraft Launch Steward's primary goal is to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) between waterbodies. They will provide AIS education/outreach at a boat launch site in the CapMo PRISM and will inspect boats (motorboats, kayaks, canoes, jet skis, etc.) of recreational water users for AIS on a voluntary basis

**Location: Montgomery County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD)
4001 State Highway 5S
Fultonville, New York 12072
Phone: 518/853-4015**

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Schoharie Crossing Boat Launch

This is a temporary position assisting the SWCD and PRISM in the completion of their programs. PRISM activities will be for 2 days at the boat launch and 3 days per week working on SWCD programs.

Typical Work Activities

- Steward will interact on a one-on-one basis with recreational users of the Mohawk River on the threats of AIS and how to prevent their spread, and will conduct visual boat inspections
- Steward will collect precise and consistent data either on a tablet or data sheets following the statewide Watercraft Inspection Steward Program Application (WISPA) survey
- Workdays will be spent outdoors, in all weather, and will include weekends and holidays (Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day).
- Steward may participate in special projects as identified by CapMo PRISM AIS Coordinator (ex. AIS surveys and management, NY Invasive Species Awareness Week).
- Assist in conducting inventories and evaluations of natural resource management activities and soil investigations including perk tests, pond site investigations and related projects;
- Prepares necessary maps for AEM plans;
- Collects soil and manure samples and calibrates manure spreaders;
- Assist in providing technical assistance to land owners, farm groups and local governments by performing survey, design, layout and construction inspection of soil & water conservation projects;
- Assist in coordinating information and education programs to promote and increase awareness of natural resource conservation practices and issues;
- Assist in preparation of news articles on conservation district activities, issues and programs for the District Newsletter, Annual Report and local newspaper;
- Assist in reviewing plans and observe advice given to land owners on conservation implementation practices;
- Assist in analyzing and observing recommendations on potential land use projects as they relate to soil,

Necessary Education and Skills

- The candidate must have a good educational background in mathematics and science.
- High School Graduate seeking education in Environmental or Natural Resource Conservation.
- Good working knowledge of operation of personal computer
- Ability to compile information and prepare reports
- Ability to express self clearly and precisely, both orally and in writing.
- Ability to establish good working relations with others.
- Ability to carry out oral and written instructions.
- Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

Minimum Certification Requirements

- A valid N.Y.S. Driver's License required at time of hiring.
- High School graduate with math & science capabilities.
- Prior to starting at the launch, steward will attend a training on AIS identification, data collection, boat safety, and public interaction

This position is to allow training and experience along with education for the candidate and will provide additional help for seasonal work load for the Soil & Water Conservation District.

Compensation

The Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District Technician Assistant & Capital/Mohawk PRISM Watercraft Launch Steward is eligible to work 40 hours per week from May 23, 2018 to August 22, 2018 for \$12.50 per hour

How to Apply

Send resume and cover letter to:

Montgomery County SWCD

Attention: Joseph Slezak

4001 State Highway 5s

Fultonville, NY 12072

or

E-mail joseph.slezak@ny.nacdnet.net

Please apply by 4:30 pm May 14, 2018.

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