



COMMUNITY COORDINATOR - TAY, JUNE 3 - AUG 30, 2019

Invasive *Phragmites* has been identified as one of the most destructive plant species to native biodiversity and wetland habitat for animals. Georgian Bay Forever is hiring for 2 positions for Tay Township in Georgian Bay to act as Community Coordinators working to stop this threat, and fulfilling the following roles and responsibilities:

Community Coordinators will communicate with the public by undertaking dock or door visits to educate property owners and visitors to the region on how to identify and eradicate invasive *Phragmites* on their coastal property. On some occasions, Coordinators will be required to safely navigate coastal waters to further the public education and environmental protection activities of Georgian Bay. Coordinators will also map invasive *Phragmites* and organize community cutting activities primarily in the above area. Additionally, education around current initiatives being taken and discussed via other stakeholder groups such as Parks Canada, MNRF, MTO and The Ontario Phragmites Working Group and Ontario Invasive Plants Council will be disseminated, as well as handing out brochures re the community association to encourage membership. These activities will progress from education and mapping in the spring, to recruiting and organizing volunteers in July and then to cutting activities in August. Coordinators may also be required to transport GBF University research teams to various sites around the area, and may be required to assist other *Phragmites* cuts in Georgian Bay.

Contract dates: This entry-level full-time contract position will begin June 3rd and end August 30th, 2019.

Skills and Competencies Required:

- Must possess a valid driver's license and Pleasure Craft Operator Card.
- Must be competent with marine navigation and charts and how to operate GPS systems, or good knowledge of the coastal waters of Georgian Bay especially the above noted areas.
- Access to a personal boat in the area would be an asset.
- Must have good interpersonal skills and competently represent the community association, Tay Township and Georgian Bay Forever.
- An Environmental Sciences or related education is an asset.
- Demonstrated ability to manage time and co-ordinate community activities.
- Comfortable public speaker and be able to make public presentations.
- Must be available to work weekends.
- Have a cell phone capable of running the EDDMaps Android based software app.
- Be in good physical condition and able to operate manual and powered cutting tools.
- Be confident in the water and a competent swimmer with an excellent knowledge of water safety practices.
- Keep excellent records and documentation on all activities, participants, and provide reporting on activities, and map and find co-ordinates of invasive plant stands.

Based on the applications received and the experience level, one applicant may be charged primarily with education and communication, while the other Coordinator will focus on operations and power tools.

Salary: \$16 per hour

To apply: If you are interested in joining our team for the summer, please forward your résumé and cover letter by March 22, 2019, in a single pdf, indicating "Community Coordinator Tay" in the subject line to Georgian Bay Forever via e-mail: ed@gbf.org.

We thank everyone who applies for their interest but only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.