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Contract Opportunity

Habitat Restoration Field Crew – Multiple Positions Available

Temporary part-time positions starting August 2022, continuing through November 2021

Habitat Acquisition Trust (HAT) is excited to announce that we are looking for individuals who are interested in joining our **Habitat Restoration Field Crew** for this year's autumn habitat restoration season. If you are passionate about protecting nature, learning about our region's local ecology, and want to spend time actually getting your hands dirty while working outside with plants, then we would love to hear from you!

Habitat Restoration work will be taking place from Monday to Friday, between 9am and 5pm at various sites throughout the South Island. Shifts will be available on a weekly basis, and are flexible to accommodate other commitments.

What will the Habitat Restoration Field Crew be working on?

This season, the **Habitat Restoration Field Crew** will be focusing its efforts on working to help restore threatened coastal oak and prairie (and associated) ecosystems throughout the South Island on HAT's protected lands. As a member of the Field Crew, you will play an active role in helping to protect these vitally important ecosystems, and the many species that call these places home. The restoration work will center on the removal of invasive plant species that pose a threat to the overall health of the ecosystem. This work can be physically tough at times, it also provides many meaningful learning opportunities, and an amazing chance to connect with the land in a healing and nourishing way.

What will the work be like?

Work will take place outdoors at a number of different sites throughout the region. An average day as a member of the Habitat Restoration Field Crew will include:

- Removing invasive plant species using hand tools (clippers, loppers, shovels, saws)
- Identifying both native and non-native plant species on-site
- Hiking for some distance to arrive at the worksite
- Potential encounters with wildlife (insects, deer, dogs, birds, bears, etc.)
- Transport the invasive plant matter that has been cleared off-site
- Using GPS devices for navigation and mapping

What do you need to get involved?

All you need is a desire to continuously learn and to spend time on the land while doing hard work. No previous formal schooling, training, or experience is required. HAT will provide all essential training on how to identify key species, properly remove invasive plants, work safely in the field, how to plant and seed native plants, as well as the basics of mapping and data collection.

What are the details?

This is contract-based work that would allow for 1-5 days per week, based on shifts. Restoration work will take place Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm. Wages start at \$22/hour.

How to get involved?

If you are interested in becoming a part of the HAT **Habitat Restoration Field Crew** then please contact Max Mitchell (HAT Habitat Restoration Coordinator) at max@hat.bc.ca. Send a brief message expressing your interest, and describe any experiences that you may have that are relevant to this opportunity. We look forward to hearing from you!

Please get in touch with us by **11:59 pm on Sunday, August 14th 2022**

