



Position Available:

Summer 2024

Invasive Exotic Plant Control Crew

Status: Full time, temporary (seasonal)

Application deadline: March 15 or until position is filled

Help with ecosystem restoration by removing invasive exotic plants so that a diversity of native species once again thrive.

Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Control non-native plant species using physical and chemical means, with the goal of helping to restore selected Nature Center ecosystems back to a more natural state
2. Safely and properly use powered brush saws, pole pruners, backpack sprayers and hand sprayers to permanently remove invasive plants
3. Assist with other land management and facilities work as assigned
4. Operate within all established safety and security procedures

Required Qualifications

- At least 18 years old
- Have a valid driver's license
- Physical abilities to carry out above mentioned tasks and must be able to lift 50 lbs regularly
- Operate within all established safety and security procedures
- Experience identifying plants desired
- Experience using and maintaining power equipment preferred
- Mental and physical capacity to:
 - Work outdoors in adverse weather conditions (heat, high humidity, rain, snow, etc. ...)
 - Tolerate poison ivy, snakes, mosquitoes, deer flies, bees and thorns
- Hard worker who is able to maintain a positive attitude and high group morale
- Pesticide certification preferred (CNC will fund certification if needed)

Reports to: Director of Land and Facilities

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Schedule: Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm; up to 40 hrs/wk and up to 800 total hrs

Start Date: April 22 or when available (flexible)

End Date: Through August with additional days possible (hiring multiple staff members; one person needed through October)

Compensation & Benefits: \$13-15/hr (based on experience), staff uniform, steel-toed boots, pesticide certification fee reimbursement, CNC membership, 20% discount in Nature Center Store, 10% discount on registered program member fee

Application procedure: Send cover letter and resume to Tom Lenon, Director of Land and Facilities at tlennon@chippewanaturecenter.org or 400 S Badour Road, Midland, MI 48640

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Overview: CNC is a nonprofit, environmental education organization. Its mission is *to connect all people to nature through educational, recreational and cultural experiences*. The 1,500-acre property includes woodlands, fields, ponds and rivers. CNC's facilities consist of a Visitor Center with Ecosystem Gallery, classrooms and Nature Center store; an 1870s Homestead Farm complex; Nature Preschool; an arboretum and 19 miles of nature trails. See www.chippewanaturecenter.org for more information.

Equal Opportunity Employment: CNC is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against employees or job applicants on the basis of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, height, weight, handicap or disability, veteran status or any other status or condition protected by applicable state or federal laws.