

Forest Stewardship Technician

About Us:

The Nashwaak Watershed Association Inc. was established in 1995 as a not-for-profit organization, whose mission is to promote, conserve, and restore the Nashwaak ecosystem using science-based methods, community collaboration, and advocacy for the watershed and its inhabitants. Our long-term goal is to manage the watershed as a healthy ecosystem that balances a variety of economic, recreation, social, and landowner interests so that it will serve the community while maintaining a healthy resource for generations to come. Our work focuses on five main biodiversity targets: floodplain forests, riparian zones, wetlands, aquatic habitat, and the Wabanaki/Acadian Forest. While addressing these biodiversity targets, we also strive to create a positive work environment for all individuals.

The Nashwaak Forest Stewardship Program is one branch of our programming at NWAI. Through this program, we offer conservation-focused forestry recommendations to landholders within the Nashwaak Watershed. Our aim is to support the protection and restoration of mature forest within the watershed (and the province), to promote the restoration of climate-resilient forests, the storage of carbon, the protection of aquatic ecosystems, and forest-dependent biodiversity.

The Position:

NWAI is seeking a forest stewardship technician that is passionate about nature conservation to assist in implementing the Forest Stewardship Program.

Duties include:

- Making connections with landholders, finding out about their values and questions
- Coordinating and carrying out site visits to privately owned forests, talking with landholders about beneficial management practices to protect ecosystem services
- Writing reports to communicate beneficial management practices
- Tracking engagement activities and reporting metrics
- Liaising with partner organizations to help landholders get the services they need and to share program information
- Identifying and mapping habitats for species at risk (e.g., Canada Warbler)
- Deploying Autonomous Recording Units (ARUs) to collect information on bird species diversity

- Creating educational materials to communicate best management practices
- Planning workshops and events for landholders on relevant topics
- Liaising with forestry companies to advocate for integrating beneficial management practices into their planning
- Assisting with other duties as required (e.g., tree planting, water quality monitoring)

Qualifications & skills:

- Degree in forestry or environmental management (forester preferred)
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills for report writing and communicating with landholders and the public
- GIS proficiency
- Strong fieldwork skills and experience with environmental data collection
- Good working knowledge of New Brunswick's natural environment with experience in flora and fauna identification
- Excellent interpersonal skills, experience with public outreach is an asset
- Hardworking, organized, adaptable, and able to work independently
- Ability to develop positive working relationships in a team environment
- A commitment to conservation and sustainability
- Valid driver's license

Position Details & Compensation:

- Full-time contract (part time is possible if required)
- Starting May 5 (or earlier) August 29 (flexible, with possibility of extension)
- Compensation: \$19.00-\$22.00/hour, commensurate with experience and education

Application:

To apply for this position, please send a cover letter and CV/resume to info@nashwaakwatershed.ca. In the subject line, include your name and the position that you wish to apply for.

Application Deadline: March 3rd, 2025, 11:59 PM