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Title: Seasonal Habitat & Stewardship Technician
FLSA Status: Temporary – Hourly – July to September 40 hours a week
Reports to: Habitat and Stewardship Program Manager
Hourly Rate: \$16.75/hr – based on experience

Organization Background:

Artist Boat is a 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to promote awareness and preservation of coastal margins and the marine environment through the disciplines of the sciences and the arts.

Artist Boat seeks an enthusiastic and experienced Habitat and Stewardship Technician (HST) to join our team at a pivotal moment of organizational growth. The HST is responsible for joining the habitat and stewardship team to implement and deliver improved habitat quality for wildlife and plant communities.

Essential Function:

The Seasonal Habitat technician is responsible for the management and removal of invasive species on the Coastal Heritage Preserve through targeted mechanical methods and application of herbicides and other repetitive land management tasks. This is field position. Other duties include preparing educational access features weekly for visitors and students, upkeep of the greenhouse and native plant nursery, and assisting with assignments from the Habitat and Stewardship Program Manager.

Summary of Duties:

- Management of invasive species of flora through herbicide application with back-pack sprayer and ATV sprayer, mowing, hand cutting with machetes, chainsaws, brush cutters, and other tools.
- Maintain accurate records and maps of herbicide use, mowed areas, and species managed.
- Accurate dissemination of information, record keeping, and daily communication.
- Use safety equipment and maintain safety conscious attitude at all times.
- Other preserve management activities as assigned.

Key Responsibilities:

- Safely remove invasive species from the Coastal Heritage Preserve through multiple methods and track daily application of tools or chemicals (75% of the time).
- Maintain access and functionality to the Oppenheimer Bird Observatory for the public, the Kayak Pavilion, the Outdoor Classroom, and pool for program participants.
- Lift 60 pounds, drive a standard transmission, trailer with vehicles, spend 8 hours outside on a regular basis, drive (Mules, Tractor, ATV, and other “vehicles” as procured).
- Clean, disinfect and maintain all materials and equipment used for programs.
- Must enter data from daily activities into excel.

Working Conditions:

- May work in variable weather conditions, at remote locations, on difficult and hazardous terrain, and under physically demanding circumstances. Anticipate the presence of abundant biting insects and extreme heat.

Qualifications/Requirements:

- High school diploma or GED or degree in natural resource management.
- Ability to operate and maintain various types of equipment in a safe and efficient manner (ATV, weed eater, chainsaw, mules, push mowers, and tractor, zero-point mower).
- Must pass background check and be fingerprinted annually.
- Valid driver’s license with a good driving record.

Please send cover letter, resume, and three professional references to Greg Hall, Habitat and Stewardship Program Manager, via email habitat@artistboat.org at 13330 Settegast Road, Galveston, Texas 77554. Applications accepted until **June 27, 2022**. Will interview as resumes are submitted that are qualified and may hire prior to June 27th.

Ready to fill position immediately and anticipated start date of July 2, 2022.