



POSITION AVAILABLE SUMMER LAND STEWARD

TEMPORARY – SUMMER 2025

POSITION SUMMARY

The Summer Land Steward will assist with aspects of conservation land stewardship for Buzzards Bay Coalition and Mattapoissett Land Trust. The position is a full-time, seasonal position that will run for roughly 10 weeks (~400 hours), with an ideal start date in May or early June. We seek someone with an educational background, experience and passion for conservation land management, property management and outdoor work. The position is currently based out of the Coalition's Marion facility and the Mattapoissett Land Trust office. Conservation lands are located throughout the Buzzards Bay watershed with a primary focus on the Rochester, Acushnet, Mattapoissett, Fairhaven and Wareham areas.

The following work is at the direction of BBC's Land Stewardship Director and Land Stewardship Manager, and MLT's Operations Manager.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Tasks include but are not limited to:

- Maintain trails, signs, bridges, boardwalks, overlook decks, piers, dams and water control structures, fences, parking areas, and other structures and facilities.
- Perform mowing, brush clearing, erosion control, debris removal, sign and fence installation, and other property management tasks as needed.
- Respond to inquiries from the public and conservation land users and implement sound judgement regarding when a subject or inquiry should be more appropriately directed to a supervisor.
- Foster and maintain positive relations with abutters, neighbors and local communities.
- Help manage and maintain tools, supplies, materials and equipment as needed to support stewardship activities.
- Assist as needed the Restoration Ecologist regarding implementation of ecological restoration projects.
- Provide support to other local land trusts and municipalities within the Bay watershed regarding land stewardship activities.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience with maintenance of park and recreation facilities such as trails, parking, boardwalks and pedestrian bridges.
- Enthusiasm for and ability to work outdoors in conditions typical of natural lands along the coast of New England in all seasons.
- Competency with safe use of hand tools and power tools such as brush cutter and hedge trimmer.
- The ability to effectively communicate and work with the public in urban and rural situations.
- Meticulous attention to detail.
- Strong organizational and time management skills in the field.
- High level of navigational awareness in the field as well as comfort and skill with compass and GPS and interpretation of a wide variety of maps and survey plans.
- Education in natural resource management, forest management, natural lands management, parks and recreation management, or related fields.
- Commitment to the mission of the Buzzards Bay Coalition and Mattapoisett Land Trust.
- A team player with strong diplomacy, interpersonal and problem-solving skills.
- A willingness to work variable hours and on weekends and evenings, when necessary.
- Reliable transportation required

COMPENSATION

This is a temporary, at-will position, for approximately 10 weeks over the period of May to July/August 2025 with start and end dates to be confirmed during the application process. The pay rate will be between \$15 to \$20 per hour depending upon experience. If housing is needed, Buzzards Bay Coalition can provide co-housing accommodations at a BBC Reserve property for lower than market rate rent. In your application, please state your interest in housing. No health insurance or other benefits are available. Travel will be reimbursed at the prevailing IRS rate per mile.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Buzzards Bay Coalition is proud to be an Equal Opportunity employer. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply and will be considered without regard to race, national origin, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, disability, age, religion, or veteran status.

TO APPLY

Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume and contact information for three academic or professional references in one PDF file via email to:

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