



Student – Invasive Species

This position reports to the Invasive Species Coordinator and is located at the Operations Center, 8600 NE 117th Avenue, Vancouver, Washington. The normal workweek is Tuesday through Friday from 7:00am – 5:30pm. Students must be able to work a minimum of 20 (up to 40) hours/week and work begins in mid-May.

WHAT YOU WOULD DO:

The Invasive Species Student will support the Utility's Invasive Species program. This program is focused on controlling invasive Japanese knotweed and other invasive plant species in the Salmon Creek watershed and East Fork Lewis River Watersheds. This studentship will provide the opportunity to develop a number of natural resource management skills that focus on invasive species control.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Dedication to environmental stewardship, passion for habitat restoration.
- Willingness to work outside in all weather conditions for the entire workday.
- Communicate and interact in a positive, professional manner with a variety of individuals including teammates, staff, landowners and volunteers.
- Willingness to use herbicides in invasive species control efforts, with training.
- Must have a valid driver's license.
- Ability to travel up to five miles per day on uneven terrain and lift up to 40 lbs.
- Willingness and ability to drive vehicles such as passenger vans, utility vehicles and/or pick-up trucks with attached equipment trailers, with training.
- Completed college level course work in the field of environmental sciences with a preference to possess the equivalent of an Associate's Degree or higher with confirmation of the intent to continue.
- Must be flexible, dependable and teamwork oriented with strong customer service and interpersonal skills.
- Willingness to operate small engine tools (ex. line trimmer), with training.
- Self-motivated, cooperative, flexible team player with a strong work ethic.
- Ability to effectively work independently and with teams on multiple, simultaneous, diverse tasks with attention to details, accuracy and process.
- Strong written and verbal skills, including presentation and public speaking skills.

BENEFITS:

As a public utility district in Washington State, Clark Public Utilities student employees are enrolled in the Public Employee Retirement System. Student employees will also receive one hour of sick leave for every forty hours worked.

SALARY:

Salary ranges are market based and established annually. Student employees are eligible for pay increases based on the number of hours worked.

2023 Salary: \$18.25/hour

HOW TO APPLY:

Please send your resume with a cover letter via email to jobs@clarkpud.com. Resumes may also be sent to Clark Public Utilities, Human Resources Department, P.O. BOX 8900, Vancouver, WA 98668.

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