

Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge is dedicated to preserving and enhancing wildlife habitat, protecting migratory birds, and providing opportunities for wildlife-oriented recreation and nature study for Saginaw and surrounding communities. The refuge is home to the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program for the Saginaw Bay Watershed, one of the largest watersheds in the Great Lakes. The Partners Program provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners and Tribes who are willing to work with us and other partners on a voluntary basis to help meet the habitat needs of our Federal Trust Species.

The Shiawassee NWR Partners Program is offering a 10 week intern position for the summer of 2009. The successful applicant will be working on monitoring of Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) sites completed since 2000. Monitoring will result in a report indicating species response on wetland and grassland restoration sites in a 16 county area.

Additional tasks of the intern will include entering stream data into the Michigan PLO GIS database. Additional GIS activities will be completed if time permits.

The work will include some physical exertion, in temperature and weather extremes, over wet, rough or uneven terrain and, potentially, be in areas with high insect populations. Interested applicants should be inquisitive, physically fit, able to work independently, have excellent verbal and writing skills, have a valid driver's license, and have a background in biology, botany, zoology, ecology, environmental science, or a related field. Preference will be given to those who have demonstrated competency in field skills, especially those with good ornithology, botany and GIS skills. Interns are compensated at a rate of \$150/week.

To apply, the following must be received by **5 PM ET, Monday, March 23, 2009**:

1. A 1-page cover letter describing personal background and interests;
2. A detailed resume describing education, experiences, and skills;
3. Unofficial copies of all college transcripts;
4. Optional - Letters of Recommendation that must include the name, affiliation, address, telephone number, and email address of each person writing a letter.

All information should be sent to:
Michelle Vander Haar
Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge
6975 Mower Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48601

Incomplete (or late) applications may not receive full consideration. For additional information, contact Michelle Vander Haar at (989) 777-5930 ext. 12 or Michelle_Vanderhaar@fws.gov.