

# 2009 SUMMER INTERNSHIP IN APPLIED CONSERVATION BIOLOGY

## SENEY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SENEY, MICHIGAN

Seney National Wildlife Refuge (Seney NWR) in Michigan's Upper Peninsula was established in 1935 by Executive Order for the protection and production of migratory birds and other wildlife. At nearly 96,000 acres, Seney NWR is one of the larger National Wildlife Refuges east of the Mississippi and is exceptionally diverse in both the number of ecosystem types present and the number of wildlife species using these habitats. Seney NWR also administers island refuges in Lakes Superior, Michigan, and Huron, as well as Kirtland's Warbler Wildlife Management Area in the northern Lower Peninsula.

During the summer of 2009, Seney NWR will offer one (1) Applied Conservation Biology internship. This position will last for up to 12 weeks, with some flexibility in starting date. The duties assigned to the successful applicants would be wide-ranging and should prepare the applicant for a future career in natural resources management and/or graduate school. Assigned duties may include: 1) assisting with general biological and ecological assessments and inventories (e.g., forest stand assessments and inventories, ecosystem mapping, bird surveys and censuses, frog and toad surveys, colonial waterbird surveys); 2) assisting with habitat management (e.g., forest management for the Kirtland's Warbler or for ecosystem restoration purposes, exotic species management, colonial waterbird habitat management); and 3) assisting with on-going Refuge forest ecology research projects.

Interested applicants should be inquisitive, physically fit, able to work independently or in small groups, have excellent verbal and writing skills, have a valid driver's license, and have a background in biology, botany, forestry, zoology, ecology, environmental science, or a related field. Preference will be given to those who have demonstrated competency in field skills, especially in forest ecology. Interns are compensated at a rate of \$150/week for a 40-hour work week that may include working some weekends and evenings. The Refuge will provide dorm-style housing, laundry facilities, and a vehicle.

To apply, the following must be received by **5 PM ET, Monday, 23 February 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. two (2) 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:

Dr. R. Gregory Corace, III  
Forester  
Seney National Wildlife Refuge  
1674 Refuge Entrance Rd.  
Seney, MI 49883

Incomplete (or late) applications may not receive full consideration. For additional information, contact Dr. Corace at (906) 586-9851x 14 or [Greg\\_Corace@fws.gov](mailto:Greg_Corace@fws.gov)