

Required Training

Check all the apply to this position

*	IT Security Training, QuickTime, General USFWS Overview
*	Bear Safety
*	Firearms
	Boat Safety and Operation
	Aircraft Safety(required for travel in government float planes
*	CPR and wilderness first aid
	ATV Training
*	If available basic fire fighter training
*	Site/Job Specific (please describe): EXAMPLES: General Refuge orientation, chain saw safety.

Intern Position Description

Maintenance Worker, Trail Crew Leader

WG-5

Position Title

GS or WG and what level?

DUTIES

- 1) Leads a trail crew consisting of 3-5 Laborers in the construction, repair, and maintenance of frontcountry hiking trails and remote wilderness routes. Assigns and distributes tasks and provides day-to-day leadership to the crew.
- 2) Directs crewmembers during a variety of trail reconstruction projects and on-going trail maintenance efforts, including the construction and/or installation of re-routes, drainage structures, boardwalks, footbridges and timber stairs.
- 3) Trains crewmembers in the use of hand tools, power tools (including chainsaws) and equipment required to complete assigned projects. Provides general project orientation and briefings on topics relating to safe work practices including tool use, tool sharpening, personal protective equipment, hazard recognition, etc.
- 4) Supervises crew on extended overnight stays in the field in primitive "spike camps" to complete projects in remote areas of the refuge.
- 5) Provides documentation and evaluation of accomplishments.

EDUCATION LEVEL, SKILL, INTERESTS

- * Ability to lead a trail crew without more than normal supervision.
- * Knowledge of and the ability to execute routine trail maintenance practices and trail-related construction activities.
- * Knowledge of and the ability to teach the proper use and maintenance of tools and equipment.

- * Ability to safely lead others while traveling, working, and living in remote backcountry environments.
- * Ability to document accomplishments and evaluate employee performance.

1) To be eligible for the Student Temporary Employment Program (STEP), you must:

- a) be **18 years of age or older** and
- b) be **currently enrolled as a half to full time student (as defined by the college/university)** at a college or university during spring 2012 and
- c) be **returning to a college/university enrolled as a half to full time student (as defined by the college/university)** in fall 2012 (school year 2012-13).

2) Valid Driver's License.

3) Skill and experience in the safe use of motor vehicles, hand and power tools, including chainsaws.

4) Will be required to wear a U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service uniform provided by the agency.

5) Will be required to carry a firearm while performing duties (for bear safety).

6) Will undergo security clearance and background check.

7) Government housing (for rent) may or may not be available.

WORK CONDITIONS, CLOTHING GEAR

For most work, trail crew members will receive detailed instructions at the beginning of each project and, if necessary, reviews supplemental instructions. The employee is responsible for completing work after getting initial oral or written instructions. Completed work is reviewed for completeness, quality, and compliance with instructions. Employee is expected to work in a manner safe to himself, other employees and the public. The employee is responsible for safe operation of power and hand tools and use of protective equipment.

Must be in good physical condition. This position requires frequent strenuous activity and very heavy physical effort. Exerts physical effort in doing such tasks as frequently lifting and moving objects weighing over 50 pounds and carrying heavy loads over rough terrain. Position requires repeatedly pushing, pulling, and/or carrying heavy loads. May require hikes to and from work locations of up to 15 miles a day.

The work will be outdoors in all extremes of weather involving exposure to temperature extremes. The tools, equipment and heavy objects involved occasionally present chances of serious injury (e.g. broken bones, severe cuts, strained back) Employee may be exposed to long periods of high noise from power equipment such as chain saws. He/she will be required to wear appropriate protective equipment such as safety glasses, hearing protectors, or hard hats. Work will be often performed in remote field settings where living conditions are primitive. Also, the intern should bring gloves, a warm hat, a baseball cap, sunglasses, hiking boots, comfortable loose clothing since the job entails being outside and strenuous hiking. Headlamp, flashlight or small battery operated reading light, and a calling card or cell phone.

FWS to Provide: Hip waders, safety work boots, mosquito jackets and head nets, any equipment needed in the field, such as backpacks, field vest, sleeping bags, cook stoves, binoculars etc.