

Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge

Job Description for Resource Management Volunteer

Qualifications

A background or a strong desire to work with wildlife management, conservation, ecology or biology. A college degree or formal education is not necessary.

An ability to do strenuous, physically demanding jobs for long periods of time.

A desire to treat volunteer service as a serious responsibility. Volunteers are expected to complete a training program, wear a uniform, and report for duty on schedule.

Duties

Assist biologists with a variety of field work related to wildlife management.

- Assist with on-going or one-time projects at the refuge.
- Help with office projects, lab work or field work.
- Opportunities are available for volunteers to work on an individual basis, or with other staff and volunteers on the following or other projects:
- Planting wildlife food grasses
- Helping with bird counts or other wildlife surveys
- Working with habitat restoration projects
- Doing data entry on the computer. Volunteers must complete Information Technology Security training prior to work with government computers.
- Filing

Obligations

Volunteers to complete a training program provided by the staff.

Volunteers to provide their own transportation to and from the job.

Volunteers to report for work on dates and times agreed upon.

Supervision

Volunteers will be supervised by the FWS Biologist or the Volunteer Coordinator. Some projects will require more supervision than others, depending on the difficulty of the project and experience level of the volunteer.

Effects

Volunteers have frequent contact with other employees and the general public, other Service personnel, and representatives of other conservation agencies and organizations. Most public contacts are to share knowledge, answer questions, or otherwise improve public understanding of the Service, the field station, and environmental issues.

The Volunteer's performance directly affects:

Public understanding of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the station, and environmental problems.

Visitor's safety and comfort, the Service's public image, and the effectiveness, quality and success of operations.



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