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Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge to Hire Five Youth Conservation Corps Enrollees

Grosse Ile, Michigan – The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge will be hosting a Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) program on the refuge this summer. YCC is a summer employment program for young men and women from all segments of society, who work, earn and learn together doing outdoor conservation projects. YCC members complete meaningful projects that require hard work and cooperation. This is work that you can be proud of.

The program is open to young men and women ages 15-18 who are citizens or legal residents of the United States. Enrollees are expected to be available for the entire eight week program from mid-June to mid-August. A strong interest in outdoor work and natural resources is recommended. Work projects on the Refuge may include, clearing vegetation, building and improving trails, removing invasive plants, and contributing to wildlife management programs. Enrollees also participate in educational activities.



Interested youth should e-mail Anna Cook at anna_cook@fws.gov for an application or for additional information on the refuge and the YCC program. Applications are also available online at www.fws.gov/midwest/detroitriver. Applications must be postmarked by May 6, 2011 and sent to: Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, 9311 Groh Road, Grosse Ile, Michigan, 48138 (Attention: Anna Cook). Selection will be by lottery.

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