

Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory Seeks Invasive Plant Technician

The Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory (RMBL), founded in 1928 is an independent, high-altitude biological field station near Crested Butte, Colorado. Our primary mission is to advance the deep scientific understanding of nature that promotes informed stewardship of the earth. RMBL provides scientists access to diverse habitats, research and education infrastructure, a collaborative and internationally recognized scientific community, and a broad base of knowledge founded in long-term research about the ecology of mountain environments.

Position Description

RMBL is taking applications for a seasonal part-time Invasive Plant Technician in 2024. We are looking for someone interested in invasive plant management and plant restoration. The employee's duties will include tasks in the following 5 areas. In 2024, the bulk of the work will be in areas 1-3. We will consider hiring more than one person to cover all the tasks.

1. Mapping invasive plant populations with cutting edge GPS technology; (Late June through August / early September) ~ 30-40 hours
2. Decommission an Experiment. We will be spending about 30-40 hours in July and early August taking down an invasive plant experiment, whereby we've been manipulating soil nutrients to test whether plant competition between natives and invasives can be changed. This work includes collecting plant community data in the field, measuring plants, and harvesting plants and soil samples for lab measurements. (mid-July to early August) ~ 30-40 hours
3. Manage weeds. We will manually remove and spot-spray weeds. (late June - September) ~ 40 hours
4. Revegetation projects. Transplant plants and collect and sow seed for revegetation work. (August-Sept) ~10 hours
5. Assist with Volunteer activities. Help plan and run several volunteer weed education and weed pull days. ~ 10 hours

Conditions

We are looking for someone who is not afraid of hard work and has a sincere interest in active management of invasive plants, revegetation, and working with volunteers.

Note: Pets are not allowed at the field station. In addition, the field station is a smoke free campus.

Dates

This job runs from approximately late June through August, with the potential to continue into mid-September. The bulk of the work happens during July and August. The chosen employee will work part time up to 125 hours during June-Sept., 2024.

Benefits and Fees

This job pays \$18-\$20/hour depending on experience. The employee is responsible for parking fees, if they have a car. There are no other benefits of this job.

To Apply

To apply for this job, please send a cover letter and resume with at least 2 references to Dr. Jennie Reithel, sd@rmbll.org

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. We plan to choose an employee by June, 2024

Questions

Please contact the Science Director Dr. Jennifer Reithel sd@rmbll.org

Additional information about RMBL can be found at www.rmbll.org

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