



Position Title: Stewardship/Outreach Technician
Location: Lafayette, IN (preserves located within 1 hr. in west-central IN)
Job Classification: Seasonal Full-time, (40 hrs./week), 12 weeks, ~May 13th – Aug 5th, 2026
Reports To: NICHES Stewardship Managers
Applications due: March 1st, 2026*

Job Purpose: The Stewardship/Outreach Technician is a seasonal position that will work in coordination with NICHES' stewardship and outreach staff to implement NICHES' mission of protecting, restoring, and sustaining Northern Indiana ecosystems. The Stewardship/Outreach Technician's primary duty is to carry out quality stewardship practices on NICHES properties distributed widely over a 13-county service area. Specific responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Non-native, invasive species control and other vegetation management projects utilizing chemical and mechanical methods
- Trail maintenance
- Maintain written records of the tasks and work
- Help facilitate volunteer stewardship workdays and outreach events
- Assist in the implementation of NICHES' Summer Nature Camp program

QUALIFICATIONS, KNOWLEDGE, AND SKILLS:

- Ability to work outdoors in inclement conditions for up to 8 hours a day, performing demanding physical labor, including lifting objects up to 60 pounds
- Excellent written and communication skills
- Possess current motor vehicle license and good driving record
- Good sense of direction
- Applicants must provide their own proper footwear for field work
- Demonstrated understanding of the principles of ecological restoration
- Familiarity with the safe operation and basic maintenance of a variety of vehicles and power tools, including light duty trucks, trailers, tractors, chainsaws, and brush cutters
- Experience with the safe use and application of herbicides
- Experience with supervising volunteers on a given task and supervising children

Proposed Term: ~May 13th – August 5th, 2026

Hours: forty-hour work week, Twelve-week seasonal, full-time position

Pay: \$15-18/ hour

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*Please note that NICHES Land Trust reserves the right to hire a candidate at any time, even if applications are still being accepted up until the deadline of March 1.

To apply, send a resume and cover letter to niches@nicheslandtrust.org

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