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Environmental Volunteers Needed!

We are currently looking to engage a number of **passionate** and **natural public speakers** who will deliver in-class childrens' programming and eco-tours at our Allco Fish Hatchery and within elementary school classrooms. **We offer training** and learning opportunities for volunteers, regular communication, space to provide input and feedback, leadership opportunities and our great appreciation in many forms!

Qualifications:

- Outgoing, enthusiastic and mature
- Strong interpersonal and public speaking skills
- Passionate about the environment and wildlife in the Fraser Valley
- Ability to build strong relationships with new people and organizations
- Detail-oriented with excellent time management skills
- Works well independently and as part of a team
- Age requirement of 19 years and up

Volunteer Positions:

Wildlife Workshop Instructor:

Provide instructional and environmental workshops on a variety of topics, to ages 5y – 13y in school district 42, including the salmon life cycle, pollinators, forest ecology, owls, other wildlife and endangered species using resources made available. Be creative and use initiatives to develop and deliver exciting and engaging arts, crafts and other child-oriented activities with an environmental focus.

Time Commitment:

- o Approximately 20-25 hours per month between March–June 2018
- o Approximately 15-20 hours per month October – December 2018
- o (total of 125-160 hours).

Hatchery and Eco-Tour Guide:

Provide onsite instructional eco-tours at the River Heritage Centre, Allco Fish Hatchery and Allco Park to ages 3y – 13y. These tours will include the salmon lifecycle, salmon fry release, salmon dissection and forest ecology using resources made available.

Time Commitment:

- o Approximately 15-20 hours per month between March–June 2018
- o Approximately 10-15 hours per month October – December 2018
- o (total of 90-125 hours).

Link to Mission:

At the Alouette River Management Society, we're on a mission to proactively protect and improve the Alouette Watershed and surrounding areas by creating a healthy environment which connects parks, trail systems, public centres and waterways and volunteers are essential to helping us deliver on that mission.

By volunteering, you can:

- o Explore your passion for nature and the environment
- o Learn and gain hands-on experience and share your skills
- o Make a difference and give back to your community
- o Get outside, be active and have fun working with others
- o Be part of an amazing non-profit, charitable organization located in beautiful Maple Ridge, British Columbia.

Accountability:

- o Volunteers will be responsible to the Executive Director.
- o Criminal records check working with vulnerable minors will need to be completed for all successful volunteers.

Benefits and Recognition:

- o Enhance your communication, interpretive and public education skills
- o Receive training on the ecology and history of the Alouette Watershed
- o Contribute to the community by working for a charitable not-for-profit organization
- o Further advance ARMS' mission of raising public awareness about the Alouette Watershed, salmon and other wildlife. The importance of increasing needed habitat through the building of a fish ladder on the Alouette Dam and other critical environmental issues to the local area.
- o Gain a letter of recommendation, reference on LinkedIn and credit on any materials produced and recognition in the ARMS newsletter which goes out to over 300 individuals and groups

How to Apply/Contact:

- o To apply, please send your resume outlining relevant volunteer and/or work experience and a brief letter explaining your interest to: Greta Borick-Cunningham, Executive Director, arms@alouetteriver.org or phone: 604 467 6401 for more information