

Position Title: Land Management Technician (3 positions)

Location: La Crosse, WI **Supervisor:** Land Manager

Time Commitment: Part-time, temporary (25-30hrs/wk).

Term: 12 weeks (December 6 – March 4)

Wage: \$15/hr.

Position Description: Mississippi Valley Conservancy is seeking three (3) part-time, seasonal Land Management Technicians to assist in implementing habitat restoration projects on the 3,500+ acres of public nature preserves that the Conservancy owns. Projects may include timber stand improvement, brush removal, prescribed burning, invasive species control, leading volunteer work days, chainsaw and brushsaw operation, herbicide application, and equipment maintenance with approximately 95% of time spent in the field on restoration projects. Some evenings and weekends will be required and working on uneven and steep terrain is guaranteed.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Prior field experience using and maintaining chainsaws, brush cutters, herbicide sprayers, pumper units, UTV's, trailers, backpack pump cans, shovels, rakes, etc. for extended periods of time.
- Plant or tree identification skills for both invasive and native species.
- Successful candidate will be highly motivated, hardworking, physically fit, flexible, and detail-oriented.
- Ability to drive and back-up a large pick-up truck with a trailer; tractor; UTVs and other vehicles.
- Possess a valid driver's license and dependable vehicle.
- A commitment to the Conservancy's vision, values, and conservation goals.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience identifying and managing prairie, forest, riparian and wetland habitats.
- Undergraduate in progress, bachelor's degree, or higher in natural resources, biology, environmental science or related field.
- Ability to pass an arduous level work capacity pack test for wildland firefighters (walk 3 miles in fewer than 45 minutes carrying a 45 pound pack).
- Experience implementing prescribed burns and/or burning brush piles.
- A solid understanding of and experience with ecological restoration principles.

To Apply: Submit a cover letter, resume and a list of 3 references to Land Manager Levi Plath at levi@mississippivalleyconservancy.org. **Position closes November 1, 2021.**