



Position Title: Recreation and Habitat Restoration Specialist

Position Service Site: Perrot State Park (Trempealeau, WI)

Service Time: May 30 – August 18, 2023 (450 hours total, 40 Hours/Week)

Benefits: Living stipend total for whole term = \$6,000 (\$500 per week) Education Award = \$1,824.07 upon successful completion of service.

Mileage will be reimbursed.

LOCATION OVERVIEW: Perrot State Park's 1,200 acres are nestled among 500-foot bluffs where the Trempealeau and Mississippi rivers meet. Visitors can enjoy breathtaking river views from the hiking trails in this park, known for its natural, archaeological, and historical resources.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION: Perrot State Park's Recreation and Habitat Restoration Specialist will perform a variety of conservation work regarding trail construction, habitat restoration, and park maintenance. They will also act as the point person regarding the Buffalo River State Trail which connects Fairchild, WI and Mondovi, WI.

The Recreation and Habitat Restoration Specialist will be trained/certified in:

- Chainsaw certification (S-212)
- First Aid and CPR
- ATV/UTV certification
- Defensive Driving

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist with trail construction, renovation and maintenance
- Remove invasive species and do prairie and habitat restoration
- Assist staff in building and repairing picnic shelters, kiosks and other property facilities
- Do carpentry, remodeling and other construction projects
- Assist with sign repairs and replacements including hiking trail maps and motorized trail signage
- Enhance pollinator and rain gardens
- Maintain park grounds, picnic areas, campgrounds and facilities
- Support park staff in educational programming
- Greet visitors and answer phone calls
- Assist members of the Friends of Perrot State Park with their trail and facility maintenance activities, special events, and other on-going projects
- Manage and supervise volunteers

TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT: Placement may operate machinery such as UTV's, ATV's, chainsaws, hand tools, power tools, mowers, tractors, and other light motorized vehicles

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Minimum age requirement is 18 years old
- Possess a valid driver's license and a working personal vehicle
- Ability to work independently
- Excellent communication skills
- Understanding of or willingness to learn various conservation practices
- Passionate about outdoor recreation
- Physical demands and service environment regularly requires the service member to be outdoors in wooded areas and on uneven natural paths
- Physically able to work long days outside in inclement weather, hike on and off trail
- Able to carry up to 50 pounds of equipment
- Work in a variety of weather conditions such as temperatures ranging from below freezing to over 100 degrees Fahrenheit, high winds, intense, sunshine, rain, and snow
- Ability to perform the essential duties of the position with or without reasonable accommodation
- Ability to multitask and shift schedule and priorities to meet changing conditions
- Upon hire, a criminal background check will be conducted. Service with WisCorps will be considered probationary until all results are returned and have been reviewed

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