

Job Description

Job Title: Field Technician, Kona Hema Preserve
Job ID: 11074
Location: Hawaii
Full/Part Time: Full-Time
Regular/Temporary: Temporary

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ABOUT US

The Nature Conservancy is the world's leading conservation organization, working in all 50 states and more than 33 countries. Founded in 1951, the mission of The Nature Conservancy is to preserve the plants, animals and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive.

POSITION SUMMARY

The Nature Conservancy is seeking a Field Technician to fill a short-term, four month (21-35 hour/week) position at the Kona Hema Preserve in south Kona, Island of Hawaii. Interested candidates should apply online at www.nature.org/careers and upload a cover letter that addresses how you meet the Basic Qualifications listed above and a resume by May 8, 2009.

The Kona Hema Preserve Weed Technician position requires an enthusiastic, motivated, action-oriented person to play an essential role in ecosystem threat abatement operations. These operations include surveying, mapping, monitoring, and controlling alien weed species. The Weed Technician must be willing and able to camp in remote mountainous areas for up to five nights at a time and operate in extremely rugged terrain and adverse weather conditions. Work environment involves exposure to job hazards where there is a high possibility of injury, so a commitment to safety is essential. The Weed Technician will assist the Hawaii Island team and partners with field operations with a focus on alien plant removal, but duties may include base yard, vehicle, and equipment maintenance. Compliance with field safety protocol, preserve use policies, base yard rules, and alien species cleanliness protocols is essential. This position is supervised by the Kona Hema Field Coordinator.

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

Cover letter must outline how you meet each of the basic qualifications:

- High school diploma and 6 months of related field work experience.
- Knowledge of the Kona Hema Preserve landscape and plant and animal species that occur there.
- Experience operating various types of equipment and tools.
- Experience handling herbicides.
- Ability to perform physical labor in rough terrain and in inclement weather.
- Overnight camping experience in remote wilderness areas.
- Driver's license and experience driving off-road vehicles.

ADDITIONAL JOB INFORMATION

The Field Technician may work in variable adverse weather conditions, at remote locations, on difficult and hazardous terrain, and under physically demanding circumstances. These conditions:

- require considerable physical exertion and/or muscular strain to the point of physical fatigue
- present frequent possibility of injury
- require long hours in isolated settings
- require camping for up to a week at a time
- require to hike up to 12 miles over steep rugged terrain carrying a 50lb pack

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit resume and cover letter as one document. Cover letter must outline how you meet each of the basic qualifications.

All sections of online application must be completed (e.g. work experience and education, even if information is included in resume) to be considered for a position.

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