Field Operations Leader  
Kohala Watershed Partnership (KWP)

Responsibilities:

The Field Operations Leader will be responsible for implementing on-the-ground conservation efforts for the KWP. This includes, but is not limited to, weed control, constructing and maintaining fences and trails, controlling feral animals and rodents, doing vegetation surveys, and outplanting. The Field Operations Leader will be leading a field crew of 2-5 people, as well as working with landowner partners, volunteers, and students. The Leader will need to be an observant naturalist, able to collect and summarize data. This requires an individual who enjoys working daily in outdoor Hawai‘i, is self-sufficient in harsh wilderness conditions, can organize projects and people, communicate effectively, and lead by example.

This field position requires a valid driver’s license and the safe use of firearms, pesticides, power tools, manual transmission off-road vehicles, and helicopter operations. Additionally, the Leader must be able to carry a 50-pound pack over rough terrain, and live in primitive camps for up to 7 days in cold, rainy weather.

The Field Operations Leader will report to the KWP Coordinator. The Coordinator will provide project goals and delegate responsibilities. The Field Operations Leader will organize materials, crew and time to meet project goals.

Requirements:

Experience in fence construction, hunting and weed control in Hawai‘i.  
Knowledge of Hawaiian ecology, plants, forests, streams and birds.  
Eagerness and ability to learn new skills, new technology and new information.  
Experience as a leader.  
Able to think independently, plan and organize projects.  
Adaptable, dependable, honest, quick learner and hard-working.  
Able to maintain a good attitude while working in bad weather under difficult conditions.  
Flexible schedule to allow for backcountry camping trips of up to 7 days, and weekend work.

To Apply:

Send resume that summarizes all relevant education and work experience with dates and responsibilities. Include three references that can speak to the candidate’s abilities and integrity. Cover letter should describe leadership experience, qualifications and motivation.

Send resume and letter by 12/14/07 to:  
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