

Conservation Planner - Job Description

Overview:

The Conservation Planner (CP) will work for Georgia Land Trust, Inc. (GLT) under a cooperative agreement with Fort Stewart (FSGa) to assist in the administration of the Army Compatible Use Program (ACUB). The CP will be located in GLT's Savannah office and work directly with the ACUB Program Manager and other GLT staff.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Assist the Program Manager on specific project tasks and may eventually take on individual land protection projects.
- Work to develop relationships with partners and landowners to facilitate the goals of the ACUB program and further the Land Trust's mission.
- Compile baseline documentation reports, according to GLT standards, for selected projects.
- Conduct site assessments and use geographic information systems (GIS) software to map selected projects and/or project areas.
- Conduct annual site visits of protected project sites and produce associated annual site visit reports.
- Serve as a liaison with FSGa's Fish and Wildlife Branch on habitat restoration projects.
- Plan and organize purchase and delivery requirements for Habitat Restoration work supplies and equipment.
- Work with FSGa personnel to facilitate the repair and purchase of equipment and be responsible for accounting for all equipment that has been or will be purchased under the ACUB program with GLT.
- Perform GIS work for GLT Southeast Georgia projects as directed.
- Conduct bi-monthly monitoring visits to GLT owned properties.
- Manage the hunting lease program for the Southeast Georgia properties.

Desired Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in natural resources, ecology, environmental science, forestry, or wildlife biology and 1-3 years work experience.
- Outstanding people skills and an ability to work with donors, volunteers, contractors, and partners.
- Strong project management skills, including record-keeping, with an ability to write and communicate professionally.
- A willingness to support the mission of the Land Trust and an interest in learning about land protection process.
- Demonstrated proficiency with map orientation and interpretation, GIS mapping experience and data management, GPS and field marking and associated software applications.

- Demonstrated knowledge of natural communities and forests of South Georgia.
- An interest in land management;
 - o Prescribed fire experience or certification a plus.
 - o Familiarity with wetlands and longleaf restoration a plus.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively, under general supervision of the Program Manager.
- Must have attention to detail and the ability to organize and archive files and documentation.

Work Environment and Physical Demands:

- This position will be based in an office environment but also requires work outside in variable weather conditions and exposure to natural elements.
- Candidates must have the ability to maneuver materials and equipment weighing up to 50 lbs.
- Must be willing and able to access remote areas of protected lands or potential protection projects, involving off-road hiking through dense vegetation and potentially adverse conditions.

Salary commensurate with experience. Full benefits available. Send letter and resume to kmalloy@galandtrust.org. No phone calls please. Please reference "Conservation Planner" in your Subject line.