

## V3 Companies Field Ecologist Ecological Restoration

V3 Companies' ecological restoration division performs a wide range of services on wetlands and native landscape areas including design, construction/implementation, and long-term management. We are seeking candidates to fill Field Ecologist roles at all levels. Candidates will have a background in wetlands, native landscape installation and management and/or agricultural knowledge related to planting, seeding and maintenance of natural areas.

## **General responsibilities:**

- Application of herbicide (hand wicking, backpack spraying, etc.).
- Perform general field labor and manual weed removal by hand, mowing, weed whipping.
- Installation of native plant plugs and erosion control.
- Conduct brush clearing, tree cutting and general chainsaw work.
- Participate in prescribed burning.
- Coordinate with construction foreman, project managers and ecologists.
- Assist with other duties as assigned or requested.
- Facilitate site assessments, field monitoring, and reporting.
- Project administration (define and input work orders, daily logs, and contract administration).
- Work hours (average) range from 30-60 hours/week and varies with seasons.

## **Qualifications:**

- Associate/Bachelor degree in the biological sciences (biology, botany, ecology, zoology, etc.) or in a related discipline.
- Demonstrate proficient knowledge of native and non-native plant species of the Chicagoland region.
- Background in natural area installation and management and/or agricultural knowledge related to planting and seeding in natural areas.
- Licensed herbicide applicator or ability to obtain the license through the state of Illinois state herbicide exam.
- Ability to perform physical labor throughout the year (lift/carry minimum 50 lbs).

- Competent in the use hand tools and equipment.
- Strong work ethic and willingness to perform multiple tasks.
- Valid driver's license.
- Excellent communication skills and work ethic.

We offer a competitive salary and benefits package including medical, dental, vision, 401(k), annual retirement contribution, paid time off, and holidays. Please visit our website at <a href="www.v3co.com">www.v3co.com</a> for additional information on V3 Companies. Qualified candidates should submit their resumes to Kaitlyn Stout at <a href="kstout@v3co.com">kstout@v3co.com</a> or fax to 630.724.0385.

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