

AIS Watercraft Inspection Steward - Seasonal

Overview:

Clearwater's longtime strategy of inspiring, educating and activating people is still a powerful formula for success. Utilizing the greatest natural resource in the region – the Hudson River – Clearwater has become the grassroots model for producing changes to protect our planet. Clearwater is recruiting two AIS Watercraft Inspection Stewards as part of the *Watercraft Inspection Steward Program* – an education-based program designed to inform boaters and other recreational water users about aquatic invasive species (AIS) identification, negative impacts, and spread prevention through voluntary watercraft inspections.

Steward Duties and Responsibilities:

- Educate boaters about aquatic invasive species and teach clean boating practices
- Distribute outreach and educational material to watercraft users
- Perform voluntary boat inspections before boats enter and after they exit a body of water
- Inspect watercrafts for and remove aquatic invasive plants and animals
- Conduct boater-habit surveys and collect data to determine boat launch use patterns

Minimum Qualifications:

- Completed or pursuing a degree in biology, environmental science, natural resources, or related field
- Available to work weekends and holidays on a regular basis throughout employment (between 7am and 6pm)
- Strong verbal communication skills and ability to interact with the public
- Capable of working independently and during a variety of weather conditions (rain, wind, etc.)
- Basic knowledge of aquatic invasive species and identification is preferred
- Valid Class D Driver's License and reliable transportation to and from work locations
- At least 18 years of age
- Must attend mandatory training (May 18-21)

Job Details:

Stewards will be placed at boat launches in Croton-on-Hudson, NY or in Staatsburg, NY.

This is a part-time seasonal position. Stewards will work two 8-hour days each weekend (Friday-Sunday) between May 22 – September 7, 2015. There will be a mandatory 4-day training prior to the start of the position. Stewards will be paid \$12.25/hour.

To Apply:

Please submit the following items via email to epstein@clearwater.org with the Subject line: AIS Watercraft Inspector; "Your Last Name"

- Resume
- Cover letter addressing why you are interested in this position
- Contact information for three references

Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled, with preference given to those received before April 25th.