

Organization Background

The Galveston Bay Foundation (GBF) is a nonprofit organization located on the Upper Texas Coast that has worked for 30 years to preserve and enhance one of the world's most productive estuaries—Galveston Bay—as a healthy and productive place for generations to come. We have diverse programs in land preservation, habitat restoration, water quality and quantity, youth education, and advocacy. Our office is located approximately 25 miles southeast of downtown Houston in the Clear Lake area. To learn more about the Galveston Bay Foundation, please visit www.galvbay.org or find us on social media.

Position title:	Field Technician
No. positions available:	Three (3)
Classification:	Full-time, temporary
Term of employment:	15 weeks (August 1 – mid-November (pre-holiday), 2018)
Pay rate:	\$13.24 per hour
Reports to:	Director of Land Conservation

Position Summary: The Galveston Bay Foundation (GBF) seeks three (3) temporary, full-time field technicians to join the conservation team to conduct and promote habitat management and restoration activities on conserved lands throughout the Galveston Bay watershed. GBF protects more than 8,000 acres and is looking for dedicated students, recent graduates, or other interested applicants to assist with conservation management and restoration activities. Field technicians will receive job-specific training based on the identified needs of the GBF conservation team. GBF staff will provide training, supervision, and direct feedback throughout the entirety of the 15-week term. Training will focus on specific data collection methods, habitat restoration and management techniques, and project-related monitoring requirements. Additionally, GBF staff will help field technicians develop career development skills such as public speaking, grant writing, and effective job interviewing, with the goal to improve prospects for future employment in the conservation field.

Specific Duties

Assist with land conservation management activities including:

- Property and project maintenance and monitoring (e.g. invasive species control, brush clearing, fence/gate repair, trail maintenance, etc.)
- Flora and fauna inventories on conservation properties
- Habitat mapping and delineation on conservation areas
- Developing management plans for conservation areas
- Terrestrial and estuarine habitat restoration (e.g. coastal prairie, marsh, oyster reef restoration)

Qualifications

The ideal candidate should possess:

- Background of study and/or experience in land/wildlife management, wildlife biology, environmental science, aquatic resources management, ornithology, botany and/or special knowledge of local flora, fauna, and coastal ecology
- Demonstrated prior experience in field work
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Ability to work well with partners, staff, and community volunteers
- Ability to take instruction and complete assigned tasks with minimal supervision
- Experience with Microsoft-based products (Word, Excel, Outlook)

- Experience in GIS mapping and GPS technology

Special Requirements

- Must possess a valid driver's license
- Must be able to lift objects up to 50 lbs.
- Must be able to work outdoors for up to an eight-hour day in conditions associated with coastal environments (possible dense vegetation, biting insects, etc.) and variable weather conditions typical of Texas summer/fall seasons
- Must be able to operate small equipment (chainsaws, weed eaters, various other land management tools)
- Must have experience pulling trailers and operating four-wheel drive vehicles

To apply, email a 1) letter of inquiry stating your interest in the position and 2) resume to jobs@galvbay.org by June 25, 2018. Reference the position title in the subject line.

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