



# Blue Mounds Area Project

Promoting Ecological Restoration and Stewardship of  
Native Habitats in Southwestern Wisconsin

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**TITLE: Outreach Ecologist**

**ORGANIZATION: Blue Mounds Area Project**, a 501 (C) (3) based in Mt. Horeb, WI

**EMPLOYMENT DATES:**

Early May - September 2018, 480 hour appointment guaranteed, additional hours possible.  
There is some flexibility in start and end dates.

**PAY:**

\$18-20 per hour depending on experience, plus travel reimbursement at \$0.57 per mile.

**POSITION SUMMARY**

The Blue Mounds Area Project (BMAP) Ecologist plays a key role in engaging landowners in conservation activities within BMAP's focal area of southwestern Wisconsin. The Ecologist works independently and under the supervision of the BMAP Board of Directors and participates in Board meetings to report project progress and help further the development of BMAP's priorities and project selection.

**RESPONSIBILITIES**

**A. Landowner assistance and stewardship promotion**

1. Conduct site visits to assess biodiversity and ecological restoration potential. Develop plant inventories including invasive species. Provide landowners with a short report of findings and advice on land management, including management and restoration techniques and potential funding sources.
2. Develop self-assessment and monitoring tools for landowners to research their property's natural resources, potential management strategies and evaluate management actions.
3. Working with Driftless Area Land Conservancy, provide monarch-specific management plans to 25 landowners with promising monarch habitat.

**B. Environmental outreach and education**

1. Organize and attend interpretive field trips to area sites.
2. Organize winter lectures and workshops.
3. Write newsletter articles, organize and edit outreach materials for quarterly BMAP newsletter.
4. Moderate BMAP listserv.
5. Respond to emails and phone calls.
6. Website development and information gathering.
7. Other activities as assigned.

**C. Organizational development**

1. Maintain membership data base.
2. Assist in identifying and pursuing fundraising opportunities.
3. Recruit Board Members.
4. Coordinate with Southwest Wisconsin Grassland and Stream Conservation Association and other BMAP conservation partners.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **A. Required**

1. College level course work in field ecology, botany, biology or related natural resource management.
2. Proficient with Microsoft Word and Excel.
3. Reliable transportation.

### **B. Preferred**

1. Graduate level coursework or professional plant survey experience.
2. Knowledge of ecological restoration principles and vegetation management practices.
3. Knowledge of invasive species control techniques.
4. Experience working independently in the field.
5. Experience designing or managing websites.
6. Experience with grant writing or other fundraising.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Application deadline to ensure consideration is **Friday, March 9, 2018**. Late applications may be considered. Apply via e-mail by sending a cover letter and resume describing your interests, background and experience, including any relevant coursework, and contact information for three references. Use "Ecologist Position" as the email subject. Begin all file names with your last name.

## **APPLY TO**

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