



# Bay of Quinte Algae Watch Monitoring Technician

## 1 Temporary Position (May to August)

Quinte Conservation has received funding from the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Special Projects Fund to better understand the issue of harmful algae blooms and potential risks to drinking water and recreational areas in the Bay of Quinte. We require one individual to assist the Project Leader to:

- Conduct water quality sample collection;
- Perform data entry and summaries using Microsoft Excel and Microsoft Access;
- Promote public outreach and stewardship;
- Provide assistance to other disciplines of the watershed monitoring program or other Quinte Conservation studies and projects as required.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Diploma or degree in Environmental Science, Ecosystem Management, Ecology, Geography or other related fields or currently enrolled in a program of environmental sciences or related work experience
- Excellent organizational skills to set priorities, monitor progress and react to changing circumstances and to assist in problem solving
- Experience in conducting water quality sampling on lakes and other surface waters (e.g. beaches and streams);
- Interpersonal skills required to work with a range of client groups from the public to government organizations and the ability to work as a team member and to work independently when required
- Awareness of water safety
- Ability to occasionally lift heavy objects (i.e. generator)
- Endurance required to stand, sit or walk for long periods of time
- Familiarity with Microsoft Word, Excel and Access
- Valid Ontario drivers license
- Valid Pleasure Craft Operator Card to operate a power boat
- Knowledge of mechanisms causing algal blooms and cyanobacteria toxin production, and associated factors in surface waters would be an asset
- Experience with algae identification would be an asset

### JOB DETAILS

This is a summer position lasting May to August with a possible extension to October. Hourly wage ranges from \$12.41 to \$15.00 per hour, 35 hours per week.

### HOW TO APPLY

Resumes/letters submitted electronically must be submitted in MS Word format or PDF format. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those candidates under consideration will be contacted.

Send resume/cover letter marked "Algae Watch Monitoring Technician" by March 26th, 2010 at 4:00 pm local time to:

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