



FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

Competition No. 2010-04

Student I (Weed Control Technician) Full-Time – 5 Positions

Time-Duration Position

Headquartered in Chilliwack, B.C., the Fraser Valley Regional District is inviting applications from qualified candidates to fill the full-time time-duration (May 3rd to August 27th, 2010) union position of **Student I (Weed Control Technician)**.

The Student I (Weed Control Technician) will assist in operating an integrated pest management program within the Fraser Valley Regional District's Noxious Weed Control Program boundaries. Additional duties include performing various and routine duties related to the Noxious Weed control Program, some of which include manually pulling weeds, identifying specific noxious weed infestations and accurately map their location, and implementing a control program. Assignments and responsibilities are preformed under general supervision of the Manager of Environmental Services and Operations.

Candidates who meet the knowledge and skills requirements for the job are welcome to apply for the position. Candidates must be: (i) currently attending a post-secondary educational program, full or part-time; or (ii) have attended full or part-time, in the last academic year and plan to return in the next ensuing semester.

There will be on-the-job training for specific knowledge and skill requirements.

The wage rate for this position will be \$15.10 per hour (\$13.70 plus 10.2% in lieu of benefits).

The hours of work are 7.5 hours per day, Monday to Friday, with one half hour for lunch. From May 3rd to June 30th the hours are between 7:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; and from July 1st to August 27th, the hours are between 6:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The incumbent must have an unrestricted valid Class 5 Driver's License to drive the FVRD company vehicle.

For further information regarding this position or about the Fraser Valley Regional District please visit our website at www.fvrd.bc.ca. You may also call Janice Mikuska at 604-702-5000 or toll free (in B.C.) at 1-800-528-0061.

Interested applicants should submit a detailed resume with a cover letter quoting Competition #2010-04 by 4:30 p.m., February 5, 2010 to jobs@fvrd.bc.ca or fax confidentially to 604-702-5461 or mail to Fraser Valley Regional District, 45950 Cheam Avenue, Chilliwack, BC V2P 1N6.

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CLASS DESCRIPTION January 2007

2. **CLASS TITLE:** Student I (Weed Control Technician)

2. **PAY SCALE:** Pay Group 101

3. **DEPARTMENT:** Engineering and Environmental Services

4. **ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:**

(a) Reports to: Manager of Environmental Services and Operations

(b) Supervises: No staff supervision

(c) Coordinates with: FVRD staff, members of the public, and other agencies.

5. **GENERAL ACCOUNTABILITY**

The incumbent in this class assists in operating an integrated pest management program within the Fraser Valley Regional District's Noxious Weed Control Program boundaries.

6. **NATURE AND SCOPE OF WORK:**

Under supervision:

a. Manually pull weeds.

b. Identify specific noxious weed infestations and accurately map their location.

c. Implement a control program.

d. Work co-operatively with other staff on the team.

e. Keep accurate records of weed monitoring and pesticide application.

f. Interact with the public in person or on the telephone to discuss the purpose of the program.

g. Attend select events as a representative of the Regional District to promote public awareness of the Weed Control Program.

h. Assist in creating a database and digitized map of weed infestation using a GPS, and GIS software.

i. Examine the effects of various weed control methods currently available.

j. Perform other related duties as assigned.

7. **REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:**

- a. Must be: (i) currently attending a post-secondary educational program, full or part-time; or (ii) have attended full or part-time, in the last academic year and plan to return in the next ensuing semester.
- b. Enrolment in biology, environmental sciences, or geography studies, is preferred.
- c. Must have a good understanding of weed biology and of data collection procedures.
- d. Must be willing to take and pass a valid Industrial Vegetation – General Pesticide Applicator's certificate.
- e. Must possess a valid unrestricted Class 5 B.C. Driver's Licence.
- f. Must be prepared to work flexible hours and travel extensively through the Fraser Valley Regional District.
- g. Must be able to work independently and within a group environment.
- h. Must have basic computer experience, familiarity with GPS and with mapping software and with database management.
- i. Must have good verbal and written communication skills and the ability to prepare technical reports in a clean and concise manner.
- j. Must be physically fit and able to work outside in adverse weather conditions.

8. **WORKING CONDITIONS:**

The incumbent will work a seven and a half hour (7.5) day with a half an hour (.5) lunch break.