



**FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT
STUDENT I (WEED CONTROL TECHNICIAN)
TIME-DURATION APPOINTMENT – 4 POSITIONS
Full-Time Hours
Competition #2013-09**

Headquartered in Chilliwack, B.C., the Fraser Valley Regional District is inviting applications from qualified candidates to fill the time-duration (May 6th to August 30th, 2013) 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 or enrolled in the next semester of a secondary or post-secondary educational program, full or part-time; or (ii) have attended full or part-time, in the last academic year.

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

The wage rate for this position will be \$15.86 per hour (\$14.39 plus 10.2% in lieu of benefits).

From May 6th to June 30th the incumbent(s) will work 7.5 hours per day between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday; and from July 1st to August 30th will work 7.5 hours per day between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

For further information regarding this position or about the Fraser Valley Regional District please visit our website at www.fvrd.bc.ca.

Interested applicants should submit a detailed resume with a cover letter quoting Competition #2013-09 by 4:30 p.m. March 11, 2013 to:

jobs@fvrd.bc.ca or mail to:

Fraser Valley Regional District
Human Resources Department
45950 Cheam Avenue,
Chilliwack, BC V2P 1N6

or fax confidentially to: 604-702-5461

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CLASS DESCRIPTION

March 2012

1. **CLASS TITLE:** Student I (Weed Control Technician)
2. **PAY SCALE:** Pay Group 301
3. **DIVISION:** Regional Programs
4. **DEPARTMENT:** Environmental Services
5. **ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:**
 - (a) Reports to: Manager of Environmental Services
 - (b) Supervises: No staff supervision
 - (c) Coordinates with: FVRD staff, members of the public, and other agencies.
6. **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.
7. **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.

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

- a. Must be: (i) currently attending or enrolled in the next semester of a secondary or post-secondary educational program, full or part-time; or (ii) have attended full or part-time, in the last academic year.
- b. Enrolment in biology, environmental sciences, or geography studies, is preferred.
- c. Have a good understanding of weed biology and of data collection procedures.
- d. Be willing to take and pass a valid Industrial Vegetation – General Pesticide Applicator's certificate.
- e. Must be in possession of a valid Driver's Licence for the type of Fraser Valley Regional District vehicle being driven.
- 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.

9. **WORKING CONDITIONS:**

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

RECORD OF CHANGES:

February 2013 – Change in reporting structure