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Connecticut Fund For the Environment/Save the Sound

Green Infrastructure Project Manager

Save the Sound (STS), a bi-state program of Connecticut Fund for the Environment (CFE) is seeking a full time Green Infrastructure Project Manager. This is a rare opportunity for a qualified and motivated individual to coordinate on-the-ground community based design and construction of green infrastructure projects that will filter stormwater pollution, provide neighborhood resiliency and flood protection and, natural beauty from associated plantings. The Green Infrastructure Project Manager will be based in our New Haven, CT office and report directly to our Director of Green Projects.

Background: The Green Projects team at CFE/STS oversees the design and construction of river and marsh restoration projects, green infrastructure and nature based solutions along our rivers and coasts to provide green and resilient neighborhoods, places for fish and wildlife to thrive and flood protection benefits. This work is integrated into our larger action strategies to protect and restore Long Island Sound and the rivers that flow into it. The Green Projects team brings together thousands of volunteers each year to remove tons of trash from our coastline. Youth and community volunteers plant thousands of plants as part of our green infrastructure, river and marsh restoration activities. Save the Sound and its Sound Protector program also identifies and eliminates water pollution sources through community engagement and where necessary, legal enforcement. Our water quality team uses water monitoring, and data analysis and publication, to identify and prioritize pollution reduction goals and targets.

Position Description: Save the Sound's Green Projects Team is seeking a qualified restoration ecologist, environmental planner, engineer, landscape architect or environmental project manager to help implement and coordinate on-the-ground projects that improve water quality and watershed resilience of Long Island Sound in both Connecticut and New York. The candidate will have the opportunity to design and install green infrastructure projects, steward watershed planning efforts in partnership with local communities, and interact with experts in their field. The selected candidate will be part of a small but strong, interdisciplinary group of restoration practitioners in the region dedicated to restoring rivers and marshes and improving water quality in Long Island Sound.

Responsibilities for this position will include all elements of green infrastructure and watershed resilience project coordination including, project design, assisting with grant writing and reporting, engaging community stakeholders, collaborating with residents, municipal officials, engineers, and other design professionals, overseeing project permitting and construction, conducting field monitoring, and acting as a steward for completed projects. Additional tasks include supervision of new watershed management plans and community coalition building and coordinating outward green infrastructure for Save the Sound via social media, online media, and through development of educational materials.



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The successful applicant may have the opportunity to work with the Green Projects Team on a variety of projects in addition to Green Infrastructure projects. . Our portfolio of projects is growing and may include dam removal, marsh and living shoreline restoration, coast and river cleanups. The ability to work on multiple projects and to be flexible in the effective administration of such is an important aspect of this position. Projects are grant driven and the ability to complete projects in a timely manner and within budget are essential...

The Green Infrastructure Project Manager must be a self-starter, prepared to immediately begin coordinating projects. The candidate will build momentum and increase capacity of the Green Projects Team by cultivating partnerships, funding sources, and professional relationships to Save the Sound's positive impact in restoring, protecting and improving our rivers, marshes, coasts and water quality greening our communities around Long Island Sound. CFE/STS office is located in downtown New Haven; projects are located throughout the Long Island Sound region.

The position requires some local travel and work in the field. If you don't like getting your boots dirty, you need not apply.

A strong background in one or more of the following areas is required:

- Green infrastructure and stormwater management
- Watershed planning
- Community outreach and collaboration
- Construction project management
- Landscape architecture
- Riverine, coastal and/or habitat restoration
- Fluvial geomorphology, hydrology
- Wetland delineation, plant identification
- Wetland or other aquatic habitat field experience

Desired Qualifications:

- Strong commitment to improving the health of rivers, shorelines, and Long Island Sound
- Self-motivated and ability to work in a team atmosphere
- Comfort with working in a non-profit, grant driven environment



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- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including the ability to communicate clearly about complex issues in a way that is clear and engaging to a broad audience. Experience in social and visual media communications desired.
- Experience working with municipal, state, and federal officials and agencies, as well as design professionals, and diverse stakeholder groups
- Familiarity with the management of project plans, scopes, contracts, budgets, schedules, inspections, and contractor supervision
- Familiarity with relevant computer programs beyond basic Office suite, such as Arc GIS

Common Organizational Job Responsibilities:

- Maintain positive and productive working relationships with all CFE Staff members. This includes providing and receiving constructive feedback;
- Participate in building productive relationships with CFE/Save the Sound's members, external partners, policy makers, and the general public;
- Participate in organizational meetings and activities as requested, such as monthly staff meetings, trainings, and ad hoc planning committees;
- Complete all administrative work on time, such as time sheets, purchase orders, project reports and planning documents.

Compensation: Salary is commensurate with experience. Comprehensive benefits package includes health insurance, 403b, life and long term disability insurance, paid holidays, vacations and opportunities for professional development.

STS/CFE is an equal opportunity employer. We prohibit discrimination based on age, color, disability, marital or parental status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status or any other legally protected status in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws.

This is a grant driven, at-will position.

If interested, please submit a cover letter indicating salary requirement, resume, and writing sample to jobs@ctenvironment.org. Please note the position title on the Subject line of your email