



Volunteer Posting January 8, 2016

Position Title: Biologist

Job Description:

This volunteer position is for students wishing to develop expertise in identifying birds and the methodology of doing surveys. The volunteers will be part of a team of biologists doing regular bird surveys every two weeks Saturday mornings at the George C. Reifel Migratory Bird Sanctuary in Delta, BC. Survey volunteers will be provided with training sessions for their first few surveys, then expected to carry out counts of part of the Sanctuary on a regular basis for a term of approximately 3 months, but may continue upon mutual agreement for additional months. This is an opportunity to learn and work at the same time, as there are many expert birders usually on site, and the Sanctuary is known for its diversity of birds.

Applicants should have a general working familiarity with types of birds, a willingness to be up early, as surveys generally start at 8 am. Ideally, they should have binoculars, bird books and transportation to the Sanctuary (as there is no public transit), but our staff will work these out for promising candidates. Surveys generally require walking a minimum of 3 km of trails, regardless of weather.

How to Apply:

Please send us an email to [bcws@reifelbirdsantuary.com](mailto:bcws@reifelbirdsantuary.com) and indicate an interest in the subject line for bird surveys. Indicate your current situation, and what you hope to get out of the volunteer position.

Apply by: January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for the upcoming January- March survey period or for more information on other later terms.

Start by: If there are interested volunteers, surveys will be done Jan 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, Feb 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, and March 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Location: George C. Reifel Migratory Bird Sanctuary, 5191 Robertson Road, Delta BC V4K 3N2  
[www.reifelbirdsantuary.com](http://www.reifelbirdsantuary.com)

Hours Involved: Each survey takes a maximum of 4 hours (8 am to noon), with surveys every two weeks.