



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

- This recruitment is available only to Thurston County employees and individuals on the recall/rehire list.
- This recruitment is open to the public.

POSITION TITLE: Diver (4 positions)	DEPARTMENT: Resource Stewardship / Noxious Weed Control
CLOSING DATE: February 24, 2012, 5 p.m.	POSITION #: Temporary
SALARY: \$38.00 / hour	FTE: N/A
EMPLOYMENT TYPE: Temporary Special Project	ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS: NO, Unless mandated by law
CONTACT PERSON: Rick Johnson, Weed Coordinator	PHONE #: (360) 786-5576
UNION: NO	

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

Working as a coordinated four-person team, Divers remove invasive submersed plants by hand and collect in a mesh bag or by using a suction dredge that vacuums the biomass to a boat for collection. Divers must be able to identify and distinguish between invasive and native submersed plants. In general, dives will not exceed 20 feet as low light penetration limits plant growth below this depth.

Divers are required to meet physical fitness requirements to work on a daily basis for up to two 3-hour shifts. Divers are required to provide their own dive gear and equipment, which must be maintained and meet inspection safety standards prior to each dive. Thurston County will provide the oxygen source (tank or surface supply) depending on site conditions and dominance of plants to be removed.

This position works within the guidelines of 29CFR1910.402 or WAC 296-37, and follows the protocols of the Diving Safe Practices Manual and Health and Safety plan of the Thurston County Noxious Weed Unit.

Please note: These are temporary positions with each work assignment lasting 3 to 6 days in length, 3 to 4 times a year.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Must show proof of completing a nationally recognized professional dive school program. Must have First Aid and CPR certification. Applicants need experience and/or education in identification of submersed aquatic plants. Must have knowledge of both scuba and surface supply dive operations. Previous commercial dive experience, which includes basic emergency response protocols is required. Hiring is contingent upon passing a Diving Fitness Medical Evaluation verified by a qualified physician. Must provide proof of at least 12 open water logged dives, within the last 3 years.

DESIRED SKILLS:

Experience or training in invasive plant removal.

SELECTION PROCESS:

To be considered for this position, please submit the following:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter of Interest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Questionnaire | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resume |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disclosure Form | |

Submit application package to: Thurston County Information Desk, 2000 Lakeridge Dr. SW, Olympia, WA 98502. Application package must be received by 5 p.m. on the closing date listed above. Postmarks will not be accepted.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

A separate application must be fully completed for EACH POSITION for which you are applying. Resumes may be used to supplement an application, but may not be used in lieu of completing the application form. Copies of applications will be accepted only with an original signature. If a supplemental questionnaire is required, it must be submitted with your Thurston County application by the closing date. Applications are available online at <http://www.co.thurston.wa.us>. Applicants selected for interviews and/or testing will normally be called or otherwise notified within two weeks following the closing date on the employment bulletin. If you do not receive notification during this time period, you should assume you were not selected to be interviewed and will not be considered further for this position. Due to the large number of applicants for most positions, unsuccessful applicants are generally not notified.