Ashland County Land and Water Conservation Department
Aquatic Invasive Species Interns (2 positions)

Primary Responsibilities:
- Conduct Clean Boats Clean Waters watercraft inspections at boat landings on Lake Superior and inland lakes to educate boaters, anglers, hunters and other outdoor enthusiasts about aquatic invasive species (AIS) and AIS prevention.
- Operate a portable boat wash station at boat landings on Lake Superior and inland lakes.
- Enter data into the Surface Water Integrated Monitoring System (SWIMS) database on the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) website.
- Assist the AIS Coordinator at workshops, trainings and educational outreach events.
- Assist the AIS Coordinator with Project Riverine Early Detectors (RED), Citizen Lake Monitoring Network (CLMN), Bait Dealer Initiative and Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol.
- Assist the AIS Coordinator with AIS monitoring, containment and control projects.
- Assist the Ashland County Land and Water Conservation Department with other duties as assigned.

Requirements and Desired Qualifications:
- Responsible person, preferably with experience and/or education in the natural resources field (IE: natural resources, biology, environmental science, conservation, water resources, fisheries, wildlife).
- Basic knowledge of natural resources and invasive species identification, prevention and control.
- Ability to work well in both a field setting and office setting.
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to speak with people on a daily basis.
- Must possess a valid driver’s license, a good driving record and private vehicle.
- Must feel comfortable swimming, snorkeling and conducting field work from a watercraft.
- If a county vehicle is available, it must be used for travel. If a county vehicle is not available, travel inside the City of Ashland (IE: Second Landing, Kreher Park Landing, Great Lakes Visitor Center) will not be reimbursed but travel outside the City of Ashland will be reimbursed at 57.5¢ per mile.
- Must be willing to work early mornings, evenings, weekends and holidays, including Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day, to match peak use of public boat landings.
- Represent Ashland County with professionalism and respect.

Hours and Terms of Employment: The positions are funded for approximately 350 hours from May 18, 2020 (flexible) to September 7, 2020 (flexible). Applicants must have a flexible work schedule. Work will generally be conducted Thursday through Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., but some early mornings, weekends, evenings and holidays are required. The work week will be approximately 30 hours per week.

Compensation: $12.00 per hour.

Deadline: Application materials must be received by 2:00pm on Friday, April 17, 2020.

How to Apply: Submit a cover letter, resume and Ashland County Employment Application to Scott Caven, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator, Ashland County Land and Water Conservation Department, 315 Sanborn Avenue: Suite 100, Ashland, WI. 54806 or emailed to scott.caven@co.ashland.wi.us

For More Information, Please Contact: Scott Caven, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator, Ashland County Land and Water Conservation Department, at 715-682-7187 or scott.caven@co.ashland.wi.us