



Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association: 2017 Contract Position

Position announcement: The Upper White River Cooperative Weed Management Association (CWMA) is seeking a part-time, paid contractor to complete a 30-day field work contract. The ideal field work candidate will possess strong communication skills; the ability to work independently; experience/interest in field data collection, plant identification, and volunteer coordination; and a reliable vehicle and valid driver's license.

Position overview: The contractor will work with the Upper White River CWMA Board of Directors (Board) to coordinate the 2017 Upper White River CWMA Program (Program). The primary goals of the Program are to inventory and to engage volunteers to help control high-priority, non-native invasive plants (NNIP) within the Upper White River watershed boundaries. For more information visit <http://www.whiteriverpartnership.org/upper-white-river-cwma>.

Contract tasks description:

NNIP survey – Survey early-detection, rapid response NNIP control sites completed since 2014

- Deliverable = at least 30 sites surveyed by June 9, 2017

NNIP control – Control NNIP at high-priority sites within the CWMA boundaries, including the Robinson and Upper White River Integrated Resource Project areas

- Deliverable = at least 15 sites completed by June 9, 2017

NNIP volunteers – Coordinate NNIP identification and control events with community volunteers to raise awareness about and to address high-priority NNIP infestations

- Deliverable = at least 15 volunteers engaged by June 9, 2017

NNIP outreach – Draft articles about seasonal NNIP topics for distribution via local media outlets

- Deliverable = at least 12 articles drafted by June 9, 2017

Program wrap-up – Work with Board to summarize 2017 field season accomplishments; clean and store all equipment; and formally thank all participating volunteers and landowners

Hours/Compensation: The contract position will involve no more than 30 days (240 hours) of work. The timing of the work is flexible; the contractor determines when work is completed within the contract's date range. The contract hourly rate is \$20/hour. The contractor will be reimbursed for work-related travel at the current federal rate.

Management: The White River Partnership will administer the contract. Green Mountain National Forest Botanist MaryBeth Deller will provide day-to-day guidance and answer questions about the contract tasks.

To apply: Email a resume and cover letter in Word or pdf format by **Thursday, March 30 by 4pm** to Mary Russ, White River Partnership, PO Box 705, South Royalton, VT 05068, mary@whiteriverpartnership.org.