

POSITION DETAILS

Location: Brooksdale Environmental Centre, Surrey, BC.	
Contract duration	6 months, with the possibility of extension
Hours/Days Worked:	16 - 40 hours/wk; Tuesday – Saturday (flexible hours)
Wage:	\$19-\$21

POSITION FUNCTION

A Rocha is an international Christian environmental conservation organization which lives out God’s calling to care for creation and equips others to do likewise. We envision a hope-filled world where communities flourish as people and nature thrive together.

A Rocha Canada’s Brooksdale Environmental Centre is one of the most dynamic environmental centres in North America. Brooksdale’s 27-acre property is a living lab comprised of forests, a threatened river system, an organic farm, and heritage houses. This unique combination of sensitive wildlife habitat and agricultural land makes Brooksdale a place where critical environmental issues are researched, addressed, and solved.

The **Restoration Technician** works in collaboration with the Conservation Science Team to implement habitat restoration work at the Brooksdale Environmental Centre and within the broader Little Campbell River (Tatalu) watershed. They will also support and assist in species and habitat monitoring within the watershed to assess effectiveness of restoration efforts

WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

Reports directly to the Restoration Biologist who works in close collaboration with the Conservation Science Director. Provides supervision and instruction to Interns and Volunteers.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Restoration Initiatives (60%):

- Plan and implement ecosystem restoration projects including those on-site at Brooksdale, as well as those within the Tatalu watershed.
- Write planning documents including restoration plans and assessments.
- Collect and organize effectiveness monitoring data related to restoration sites in order to track progress over time.
- Facilitate voluntary Stewardship Agreements with private landowners to communicate conservation commitments for restoration projects on private land.

- Oversee the native plant nursery, its propagation and ongoing maintenance.
- Engage the broader public in activities related to conservation and ecosystem restoration. This includes
 - Facilitating and coordinating groups and individuals interested in participating in such activities.
 - Coordinating weekly restoration Saturdays, allowing for both interns and the broader community to engage in restoration efforts.
- Assist as needed with other Conservation Science efforts within the Little Campbell River watershed.
- Participate in long-term strategic planning as it relates to conservation.

Collaboration and Communication (30%):

- Assist Brooksdale Centre Director with Site Development planning, and project implementation (trails, etc.)
- Meet bi-weekly with the Restoration Biologist for progress report meetings.
- Participate in 1-2 professional development opportunities that contribute capacity to meet strategic goals related to Conservation Science and/or Centre Life in order of priority.
- Sustain partnerships and relationships with conservation groups, churches and individuals.
- contribute to social media posts about projects and volunteer opportunities

Community Life (5%):

- Support Brooksdale team with community activities such as chores, events

Fundraising (5%):

- Assist in writing fundraising letters
- Steward donor relationships

WORKING CONDITIONS

Work takes place outdoors in the riparian areas and native plant nursery at the Brooksdale Environmental Centre as well as habitat restoration sites around the watershed (South Langley, South Surrey, White Rock, Semiahmoo First Nation Reserve) on private and park lands. The **Restoration Technician** is required to work in all weather conditions. Shared indoor office space is provided at Brooksdale Environmental Centre.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS

Required Skills and Experience

- Education:
 - Minimum requirements are Diploma or ongoing coursework in Environmental Resource Management with applicable experience in restoration projects. Preferred is BSc in Environmental Studies or related field (Ecology, Forestry, Freshwater). Assets would include practical training and/or certification in restoration focused activities related to watershed management.
- Work Experience:
 - Minimum 2 years experience in fields related to management of natural systems, with preference given to those with applicable skills in forestry and freshwater systems.
 - Minimum 2 years experience involving project management including working with volunteers, staff and diverse stakeholders.

Restoration Technician Position

- Standard First Aid & CPR
- Working knowledge and experience with tools involved in construction and maintenance
Proficiency in the Microsoft Office Suite and online tools such as Google Drive
- Proficiency with GIS considered an asset

Critical Qualities

- Embodies A Rocha Canada's Commitments and Core Values
- Professional and gracious demeanor in written and oral communication
- Able to lead when necessary, with excellent interpersonal skill and sustained positive attitude
- Proven organizational skills and ability to work well in a team environment
- Self-starter with a strong sense of initiative

Applicant must:

- Be under the age of 30 at the start of the employment;
- Be a Canadian Citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment;
- Have a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial or territorial legislation and regulations; and,
- Obtain a Criminal Record Background and Vulnerable Sector check.

HOW TO APPLY

- Email, as a single PDF document, a cover letter and resume clearly detailing your experience and qualifications for this position to conservation@arocha.ca
- Ensure your email subject line clearly refers to the Restoration Technician position.
- Only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.
- Full time position is contingent on ECO Canada funding approval

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by employees assigned to this classification. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required of employ