



Volunteer Opportunity: Forest Stewardship Mentor - Beeton Heritage Forest

As a Forest Stewardship Mentor, you have gained experience in one or more areas of stewardship work and are ready to share your knowledge and experience to assist newer volunteers with these tasks. You will pair with newer volunteers or lead small group tasks at stewardship volunteer events. Your excellent people skills will ensure that new volunteers feel comfortable and supported in their volunteer work, and you will help to ensure volunteer events run smoothly and safely.

Responsibilities

- Assisting with tasks at stewardship volunteer events such as invasive species removal, trail maintenance, or habitat/species monitoring.
- Provide support for the Location Lead Volunteer
- Mentoring newer volunteers either one-on-one or in small groups (2-5 people), including sharing your knowledge, training them on stewardship tasks, species ID, etc. and answering questions about ORMLT or the task at hand.
- Helping to ensure volunteers work safely by checking for and reporting safety hazards, ensuring volunteers are using tools correctly and have good technique for physical work.

Time Commitment

We ask that you attend a minimum of three stewardship volunteer events per year in your role as a Forest Stewardship Mentor. Stewardship work is very seasonal and is usually focused more heavily on the spring and fall months.

Training

Attendance at an ORMLT Volunteer Orientation event is required to become a Forest Stewardship Mentor. To be eligible for this position, you must have attended at least four volunteer stewardship events with the ORMLT.

Skills and Experience

- Comfortable being outside under various conditions for 2-4 hours, often on uneven ground.
- Able to perform physical work involving bending or stooping, lifting upwards of 10lbs, walking 1-5km over uneven ground, and using various hand tools.
- Some combination of technical skills/qualifications such as species ID, chainsaw certification, Ontario Exterminator License, Ecological Land Classification, etc. would be an asset.
- Excellent people skills including communication and leadership.
- Basic knowledge of Ontario's ecology and species ID, as well as restoration/conservation principles, particularly as it relates to the volunteer task at hand.

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- Basic knowledge of ORMLT including our mission, history, and current projects.
- First aid certification would be a strong asset.

Other Requirements

The Beeton Heritage Forest is remote and not accessible by public transport. Access to your own transportation is required. The forest is located at 5927 7th Line, Beeton, ON.

To Apply

Please fill out the online volunteer application form and indicate “Beeton Forest Mentor” in the notes section as an area of interest. <https://form-can.keela.co/volunteer-application-form7>