

2023 Water Programs Water Chestnut Removal Interns

The Nashua River Watershed Association

The NRWA, founded in 1969, is an environmental non-profit whose mission is to work for a healthy ecosystem with clean water and open spaces for human and wildlife communities, where people work together to sustain mutual economic and environmental well-being in the Nashua River watershed. Thirty-one towns in central Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire comprise the watershed. The NRWA provides Water Protection, Land Protection, & Environmental Education programs.

Objective: The Nashua River Watershed Association seeks up to five Summer 2023 Interns to be part of a Water Chestnut “Rapid Response” Team. The Intern(s) will have the opportunity to work with the Water Programs Director and the Watershed Scientist on the Nashua River Water Chestnut Control Project.

Responsibilities: The Interns will work under the direct supervision of NRWA’s Water Programs Director and Watershed Scientist, as well as work with other interns and volunteers to provide support for the control of water chestnuts in the Nashua River, and be part of a Water Chestnut “Rapid Response” Team.

Water Chestnut “Rapid Response” Team Member Qualifications:

- Ability to work with the public in a professional manner;
- Ability to work with minimal supervision and in a team;
- At least 18 years of age with a valid driver's license;
- Experience in canoeing and/or kayaking;
- Vehicle that can transport a canoe and/or kayak (tie-downs are provided);
- Must be able to lift a canoe and/or 40 pounds overhead;
- Must be able to swim;
- Enthusiasm for outdoor work;
- Interest in botany, wildlife, ecology, or related fields;
- Map reading; GIS map preparation skills a plus.

Hours and Location: Internships are paid positions and will run from May 15 – August 25, 2023, up to 20 hrs. per week at \$15/hour and will be based out of the NRWA’s River Resource Center in Groton, MA, with a weekly schedule to be established with the Water Programs Director and Watershed Scientist. Schedules will have flex due to weather and other interns’ availability. Water chestnut pulls with volunteers may occur on weekends, so irregularly scheduled weekend events should be anticipated. Evening hours for meetings, training, and events may be necessary.

Application: Submit cover letter and resume by **March 10, 2023** to:

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