

## **Intern Needed for Public Use at Blackwater NWR**

An intern is needed to assist the Public Use Program at Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge. The Public Use Program includes the big six: hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, photography, interpretation, and education. It also includes an entrance fee program; an environmental education building; a Visitor Center with exhibits, an osprey nesting platform video cam , an eagles' nest video cam, Friends of Blackwater Eagle Nest Book Store, and 80,000 visitors a year; 4 major events a year (Eagle Festival in March, Youth Fishing Derby in June, Refuge Open House in October, and Friends of Blackwater Christmas Open House in December), 4 hiking trails, 3 canoe trails, an observation/photo blind; and Volunteer program (about 100).

The main projects the intern will work on are:

- To create a new panel on climate change and revise and prepare an acquisition and installation of 5 other panels for a kiosk at the observation site.
- Complete a Jr. Refuge Manager Program booklet to provide criteria to meet 4-H and scouting requirements for projects. Initiate the Jr. Refuge Manager Program by contacting schools, 4-H, scouts, & home school students. Provide website information on the program.
- Produce a power point program on refuge education programs, to be available for school groups and special groups.

As public use intern, you will also get experience in working with Volunteers, giving environmental education programs and tours, assisting with events, working with the public at the information desk, learning about wildlife and plants, and many other aspects of the public use program.

Interns should have some college education in wildlife and/or environmental education and computer experience, especially in graphics. You will need a valid driver's license. Housing and a \$40 a day is provided. We need at least one intern as early as possible, but no later than June 1, 2009. For more information, contact Maggie Briggs at: 410-901-6124 or 410-228-2677.

Send resume with 3 references and dates of availability to:

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