

Narragansett Baykeeper

Position Description

The Narragansett Baykeeper is a permanent, full-time position of Save The Bay. The individual in this role is responsible for leading Save The Bay's Narragansett Baykeeper program, which is the organization's on-the-water advocacy and watchdog presence. The Narragansett Baykeeper is a licensed program of the Waterkeeper Alliance, a network of more than 200 similar organizations worldwide. The Baykeeper serves as a knowledgeable and credible expert on water quality, pollution, coastal ecology, and resource management. This individual responds to environmental threats and emergencies, supports Save The Bay's advocacy efforts, and builds constituencies for the protection, restoration, and science-based management of Narragansett Bay. The Baykeeper reports to the Director of Advocacy and works with a team of advocacy and habitat restoration professionals, including our South County Coastkeeper.

Primary Responsibilities

- * Supports STB's advocacy initiatives, including legal, legislative, regulatory, and public communications.
- * Works with state and federal agencies to address pollution problems, use conflicts, and emergency response.
- * Provides rapid response to ecological or environmental threats and crises.
- * Identifies and documents pollution problems and participates in Bay monitoring activities.
- * Engages with Bay users and stakeholders.
- * Represents STB before stakeholder groups.
- * Develops and manages the Baykeeper program, including budget and annual plans.
- * Participates in and supports the activities of the Waterkeeper Alliance.

Secondary Responsibilities

- * Reviews coastal development proposals.
- * Engages with government agency personnel and elected officials.
- * Works with academic institutions on Bay science and research.
- * Supports fundraising and donor cultivation activities.
- * Serves as a resource to STB's Program & Policy Committee and Board of Directors.
- * Collaborates with and supports STB's communications department on communication goals and strategies, including promoting STB's ecological monitoring programs.
- * Responds to information requests.
- * Supports STB's environmental education programs.
- * Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- * Deep ecosystem-based knowledge of estuaries and coastal habitats.
- * Four year college degree in environmental studies, marine science, or related fields.
- * Minimum of five years of experience working on estuary, coastal or ocean-related issues.
- * Environmental law training desirable.
- * Strong commitment to coastal environmental protection and restoration.
- * Graduate degree preferred, in environmental studies, marine science, oceanography or related fields.
- * Ability to operate and navigate a power boat safely.
- * Ability to work long hours, including nights and weekends.
- * Excellent written and verbal communications skills.
- * Demonstrated ability to work effectively in a team.
- * Energetic, creative, outgoing, engaging and self-directed.
- * Skilled at cultivating relationships with other stakeholders.
- * Ability to perform duties well under the pressure that comes with dealing with controversial issues.

Salary and Benefits

The Narragansett Baykeeper is full-time salaried position with flexible hours, competitive pay, and comprehensive benefits package.

To Apply

Send your resume to mfogarty@savebay.org or to Maureen Fogarty, Director of Operations, Save The Bay, 100 Save The Bay Drive, Providence, RI 02905.

EOE. Submission deadline December 31, 2011.

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