



Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District

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Hydroseeding Aide

Location: Liverpool, NY

Duration: 6 months

Compensation: \$18.00/hr

Job Type: Temporary, Full-Time (*Please note, if there is not sufficient workload during a week, you will not be asked to report to duty*)

Application Deadline: March 5th, 2025

Position Overview: Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District is seeking a **Hydroseeding Aide** for the 2025 season. The start and end dates are flexible, with the position generally running from April through October. This individual will assist in hydroseeding 40-50 acres of municipal road ditches along active roads in Onondaga County. This position offers an excellent opportunity for individuals seeking a 600-hour internship or practical experience in conservation. This position offers valuable networking opportunities and is an excellent addition to your resume, as the selected candidate will gain valuable hands-on experience protecting natural resources and critical watersheds in Onondaga County.

The selected candidate will work closely with the District's full-time Revegetation Specialist and receive paid training and safety gear for all tasks and additional duties.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Operate and maintain hydroseeding equipment with the Revegetation Specialist, including:
 - A Chevy Silverado 3500 HD dually pickup truck
 - An 800-gallon Finn T-90 II hydroseeder
- Perform hydroseeding along municipal roadways in varying weather conditions alongside Revegetation Specialist.
- Measure and calculate the estimated square footage of completed hydroseeding projects.
- Load and unload materials such as seed, mulch, and erosion control supplies.
- Hand seed and mulch in areas that cannot be reached with the hydroseeder.

Additional Duties (As assigned):

Conduct stormwater outfall inspections and record data. Plant trees, live stakes, and other vegetation. Hand-pull invasive water chestnuts. Assist with the installation of erosion and sediment control products. Provide general support for District conservation projects. Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Must have a **valid driver's license** with at least **3 years of safe driving experience**.
- Ability to operate, drive, and perform basic maintenance on trucks and equipment.
- Comfortable working around heavy machinery and in variable outdoor conditions.
- Reliable daily transportation.
- Ability to work alone and within a team.
- Must be able to lift and carry loads up to 50 pounds.
- Ability to measure areas using a tape measure and mobile apps, with a basic understanding of area calculations for estimating square footage.

Submit your resume and cover letter by **March 5, 2025**, or until the position is filled, to:

Andrew Hudnut

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Gain valuable conservation experience while supporting environmental sustainability in Onondaga County—apply today!

1. Are you able to work in a variety of weather conditions?
2. Are you able to lift 50 lbs.?
3. Do you have a valid driver's license without any infringements?
4. Are you a safe driver, and have experience driving?
5. Do you have transportation readily available to get you to and from the office daily?
6. Do you have any experience driving a truck with a trailer (or, are you interested in learning)?
7. Can you tow a loaded trailer and back up a trailer (or, are you interested in learning)?
8. We're looking for someone who can fill a temporary full-time position for a 6 month duration, are you able to fully commit for that period of time (or the majority of it)?