SEASONAL BOTANY JOB(S)
West Eugene Wetlands Program
2012 Temporary/Seasonal Jobs (up to 2 positions available)

Posted: April 6, 2012
Open until filled. Hiring begins: April 19, 2012

Pay rate: $12.00 - $13.50/hour, DOE

Work period: Approximately 11 – 13 weeks of work from early to mid-June through mid-October, with a break in employment during the month of August, depending on work needs.

General Statement of Duties
The Botany Assistants will work in the West Eugene Wetlands on vegetation monitoring and/or seed collection and processing. Most of the work time will be in the field:

Vegetation Monitoring: Assistants will quantitatively monitor wetland plant communities using point-intercept methods, enter data into hand-held computers, identify plants within monitoring plots and restoration sites, map locations of introduced species, and other duties as assigned.

Seed Collection and Processing: Assistants will collect and clean seeds of local Willamette Valley native plants from public and remote sites within 20 miles of Eugene, document seed collection activities, mix seed for use in restoration projects, map population locations using GPS and on-screen digitizing, and other duties as assigned.

Successful candidates for the Botany Assistant positions will have the ability to rapidly identify Willamette Valley native prairie plants in the field, with classes in plant identification preferred. In addition, Botany Assistants must have good interpersonal skills, and be able to communicate in a professional manner with the public and other employees. Botany assistants must be able to hike several miles, keep detailed records, and perform physical tasks, such as occasional lifting of 50 lb bags of seed, and repeated bending and crouching during seed collection and monitoring, in inclement weather and in isolated settings.

NOTE: Botany Assistants typically work 40 hours per week, 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM, M - F, but hours in early/mid June may vary (part-time possibility). Placement on the salary scale will depend on the duties assigned (e.g. team lead) and the experience level of the applicant. Botany Assistants must be age 18 or older to operate a vehicle. These temporary jobs require you to wear closed-toed shoes, long pants, and provide your own rain and sun protection in the field. Responses to the supplemental questions must be attached to your application.

To be hired, you must pass a driving records check and maintain a driving record that meets City standards. These jobs require passing a physical exam which includes a drug screen.

How to Apply: Contact SelecTemp at the location listed below to request an application and learn how best to submit application materials.

SELECTEMP
1202 Gateway Loop
Springfield, OR 97477
Phone: 541-746-6200; on-line at: www.selec-temp.com

In addition to the application, you must attach a resume outlining your related work experience and education and provide responses to the supplemental questions.

Supplemental Questions:
1. Describe your education and experience with plant identification, including the flora of western Oregon and Willamette Valley prairies.
2. Describe your experience or education related to plant monitoring and/or seed collection.
3. Please indicate the dates by which you could begin work in June and whether you would be available until mid-October.

To be considered in the initial round of hiring, application materials must be received by SELECTEMP (address above) by 4:30 PM PST April 18, 2012.