



# Vancouver Avian Research Centre

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## GROUNDSKEEPING VOLUNTEERS



**LOCATION:** ʕéxətəm (tla-hut-um) Regional Park (Formerly known as Colony Farm Regional Park), Coquitlam, VARC Outdoor Research Station

### SHORT DESCRIPTION:

Groundskeeping volunteers needed, 1 to 2 hours a week to perform various light landscaping and upkeep tasks at the bird banding station including trail and net lane mowing, clearing and general upkeep.

### FULL DESCRIPTION:

If you love light physical labor and being surrounded by nature in a beautiful setting, then this may be the volunteer position for you! VARC is currently seeking responsible, reliable volunteers who can spend 1 to 2 hours a week performing light landscaping tasks.

As this is strictly a volunteer role, there will be no monetary compensation however, VARC will provide all training, materials and tools required.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF ROLE:

Work with our team of volunteers and students to ensure that the trails and net lanes are maintained for VARC to perform banding & monitoring research operations from April to November. Successful candidates will be responsible for the following:

- Visiting station once a week from April through to November (schedules can be worked out with Volunteer Groundskeeping Coordinator)
- Arriving on-time
- Responsible for care, upkeep and security of landscaping equipment kept under lock and key on grounds
- Informing VARC & Volunteer Groundskeeping Coordinator of any issues or needs with equipment or property
- Keep trails and pathways clear and mowed
- Sweeping and keeping banding station pagoda tidy
- Stocking outhouse with toilet paper and hand sanitizer

**SKILLS/REQUIREMENTS:**

Successful candidates should have the following skills and requirements:

- Great people skills
- Be physically able to perform light landscaping labour
- Have access to own vehicle
- Enjoy working in a team environment with other volunteers and students
- Be bear safe/aware (we can provide training if you do not have)
- Have experience with equipment such as lawn mowers, leaf blowers and brush cutters, gardening tools
- Be responsible and extremely reliable.

**If volunteering interests you, please complete the volunteer sign-up form on the previous page, indicating the areas you are interested in – Thankyou!**

