



Rural Action
Working Together to Revitalize Appalachian Ohio

Huff Run Field Work Volunteer

Huff Run Field Work Volunteers monitor the stream and keep the roadsides beautiful in our community. This outdoor volunteer position is central to Huff Run's watershed restoration efforts, providing ongoing information about stream health.

Impact:	Help clean up a watershed devastated by acid mine drainage and other negative effects of resource extraction. Become part of a grassroots effort that advocates for the environmental health of the Huff Run watershed.
Activities	Conduct water quality sampling in the Huff Run Watershed; opportunities include: agricultural, aquatic insect (MAIS), and fish sampling. Help with roadside litter clean-ups in collaboration with the adopt-a-highway state program.
Time Commitment:	Length of service: November 2008 - December 2009 Estimated hours: Roadside clean-ups take place 2-4 times a year, estimated 4 hours each time. Water quality sampling occurs up to five times a year, three hours each time. Aquatic bug sampling takes place two days in July, and fish sampling is two days in August.
Work Site:	Varies – Volunteers will work in field sites located throughout the 14 square miles of the Huff Run Watershed.
Qualifications:	Volunteers must be willing to work outside in all weather conditions and should be able to lift at least 20 lbs.
Benefits:	Volunteers will work outdoors doing hands-on work in the watershed and will gain valuable field experience in water data collection. Volunteers will learn about various water quality standards and tests and will help beautify the community's roadways and stream. Volunteers will have the opportunity to work with various government agencies and nonprofit groups with a common mission of caring for the environment.
Training:	All volunteers must attend a two-hour introductory session about volunteering at Huff Run.
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