

## Tree Wrapping & Mapping

## **Provincial Park Society**

## 2019 Volunteer Job Description

Position Title	Tree Wrapping Volunteer & Tree Mapping Volunteer
Supervisor	Katie Bakken, Program Coordinator (katie@friendsoffishcreek.org)
Tree Wrapping & Mapping Program Description	The Friends of Fish Creek Tree Wrapping & Mapping Program consists of group outings where volunteers wrap, unwrap or rewrap trees to deter beaver activity in certain areas in the park and/or monitor, map and collect data on the status of existing wrapped trees to prevent tree death due to wire girdling.
Desired Outcomes	This program is intended to raise awareness about issues impacting the health of Fish Creek by engaging park users in meaningful activities that contribute to the protection of human infrastructure and improved watershed health. Long-term tracking of wrapped trees will decrease the likelihood of tree death to due wire girdling.
Tasks & Responsibilities	<ul> <li>Sign up for shifts using MyVolunteerPage</li> <li>Actively participate in scheduled Tree Wrapping outings as volunteer availability allows</li> <li>Learn to identify tree species and rationale for wrapping, unwrapping or rewrapping</li> <li>Follow instructions, including safety protocols and wrapping procedures</li> <li>Use tools and equipment with care, keeping safety top priority</li> <li>Be aware of and work to mitigate the potential hazards of working in the park; take part in safety orientation and/or hazard assessment at start of each outing.</li> </ul>
Requirements	<ul> <li>Sign and submit Friends of Fish Creek Volunteer Agreement</li> <li>Acknowledge the Friends of Fish Creek Volunteer Handbook on MVP profile</li> <li>Keen sense of observation and desire to be outdoors</li> <li>Physically fitness level sufficient enough to walk and work on varied terrain including uneven ground, downed trees, slopes and weather conditions</li> <li>Dependable team-player</li> <li>Basic computer/internet literacy and email access</li> </ul>
Time Commitment	<ul> <li>2-3 hours per outing</li> <li>Average of 2-4 outings per month, may occur from April to October</li> </ul>
Training Provided	<ul> <li>Advance training on use of Beaver App to collect data on status of wrapped trees</li> <li>Safety orientation and wrapping technique reviewed at start of each outing</li> </ul>
Reporting	Volunteers are required to complete Outing Report for each independent outing
Evaluation	Wrapping technique will be evaluated throughout outing and tips/further instruction given if needed. Volunteers will be invited to complete an end-of-season Volunteer Experience Survey to provide feedback to the organization.
Benefits  Revised Jan. 29, 2019	<ul> <li>Get involved in the Friends of Fish Creek community; meet new people</li> <li>Receive <i>Voice of the Friends</i> newsletter to stay informed about upcoming events</li> <li>Development of skills and ecological knowledge</li> <li>Invitation to optional First Aid training</li> <li>Enjoy the outdoors and be physically active</li> <li>Invitation to Volunteer Appreciation events</li> </ul>