



Volunteer Job Description

National Park Service – San Juan Island NHP

Job Title: Interpreter/Information

Name of VIP:

Supervisor: Mike Vouri, Chief of Interpretation

Location: American Camp and English Camp visitor centers

Project Duration: Variable

Description of Duties:

The Visitor Information Desk position is available year-round at the American Camp VC and summer months at the English Camp visitor center. This position requires the wearing the NPS Volunteer uniform.

The volunteer will generally assist park staff in operating the visitor center. Duties may include: meeting and answering visitor questions, operating simple AV equipment, bookstore sales and inventory stocking, keeping a log and raising and lowering flags. Simple housekeeping may also be required, such as dusting display cases, vacuuming, etc.

A knowledge and interest in history and natural history is desired. Volunteer tenure is negotiable, and work week will be four days on, three days off. A full hook up RV pad is available with the position.

Benefits to VIP:

A deeper understanding of the park's role in preserving and protecting natural resources.

Goal/Outcome of Job:

The goal is to preserve and protect park natural and cultural resources and assist visitors.

Knowledge/Skills/Experience Desired:

In addition, a general knowledge of the nineteenth century and familiarity with the events on San Juan Island, as well as familiarity of points of interest on the island, including flora and fauna. Training is provided by park staff.

Special Requirements: Safety

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) includes: first aid kit, sturdy work gloves and sturdy leather work boots. Individual volunteers are strongly encouraged to carry cellular phones whenever possible and practical in case of emergencies.

Safety considerations such as proper hydration, heat disorder, hypothermia, insect/animal bites & stings, and Lyme disease awareness should be discussed as appropriate given the work environment and season.

Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) will be available to the Volunteer for any specific trail maintenance projects and workshops in which they participate.