

Field Mowing Coordinator

Job Description

The historic farm fields of the Port Oneida Rural Historic District are maintained by mowing the fields annually to prevent trees from growing in the fields and the forest from encroaching on the historic farm landscape. The National Park Service asks us to mow about 1,000 acres each year. Volunteer tractor drivers are needed to operate a tractor and 8-foot mower or a 16-foot mower. The Field Mowing Coordinator works with Park staff to make sure equipment is in good operating condition and volunteers are trained for safe operations of the equipment and protection of the Park's natural resources. The Coordinator sets the schedule for mowing – which fields, assigns volunteers, and makes sure that the fields are prepared for mowing.

Required Experience

- Experience in operating and maintaining farm equipment or heavy excavating equipment.
- Communications skills – phone and e-mail
- Knowledge of the farms and fields of Port Oneida Rural Historic District

Required Training

Training and certification to operate the tractor and mower are provided by the National Park Service or the Friends of Sleeping Bear Dunes.

Time Commitment

High Season is July – September. Expect 20 hours per week during the mowing season.