



LAKE MONITOR VOLUNTEER

Staff Contact

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Description

Collect environmental data and water quality samples in local lakes from April-October.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Work with District staff to choose an appropriate lake to monitor
- Collect monitoring kit from Discovery Point before monitoring season begins (in April)
- Monitor lake every other week during monitoring season (April-October) per given schedule, using procedures listed in training
- Collect samples from deepest point in lake, and completely fill out data sheets for each monitoring session
- Drop off samples and data sheets at Discovery Point during designated drop off weeks
- Return kit to Discovery Point at end of season

Qualifications

- Have attended a CAMP (Citizen Assisted Monitoring Program) training (if new volunteer)
- Have attended a CAMP refresher course (if 5 years have passed since last training)

Time Commitment and Schedule

4-6 hours per month from April through October. Specific monitoring day and time is flexible within the monitoring week identified by the Metropolitan Council.

Materials required from volunteer

- Transportation and/or access to lake
- Boat to access monitoring point

Materials provided by District

- CAMP Training
- Monitoring kit

Benefits and Impacts

Gather data to inform the District's lake management decisions.

Track long-term trends in the overall health of your chosen lake.

Spend time outside.