## **Wuikinuxv Nation**



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# Wood Supply & Geothermal Coordinator

**Department**: Capital O&M – Special Projects **Reports to**: Capital Manager **Start Date**: As soon as possible **Position Type**: Part-Time/Temporary Position

Wuikinuxv is seeking a part-time, local Coordinator to support the two clean energy initiatives: the Wuikinuxv Woodstoves and Energy Resiliency Project and the Geothermal Energy Exploration Project. The coordinator will work closely with team members from the Barkley Project Group. For the Wuikinuxv Woodstoves and Energy Resiliency Project, this role will primarily be to identify the resources needed for wood supply in the community and evaluate options for wood harvesting. For the Geothermal Exploration Project, this role will assist in the communication of the geothermal project objectives and actively engage with the community to discuss the geothermal potential and update the community on the status of the project.

## About Wuikinuxv Woodstoves and Energy Resiliency Project

Upon completion of a biomass feasibility study in 2023, a Community Woodstove program was seen as the most favorable biomass next step in Wuikinuxv's Clean Energy Plan. This project includes developing a community wood needs baseline and strategy for wood processing and storage, as well as identifying equipment, suppliers, and workforce to implement a new wood program.

## About Wuikinuxv Geothermal Project

Wuikinuxv is exploring geothermal energy as a potentially sustainable and renewable resource to provide heating solutions for community buildings, and potential future economic development initiatives such as greenhouses or eco-tourism initiatives. This initiative aims to enhance energy independence while fostering job creation and community involvement.

## **Responsibilities for Woodstove and Energy Resiliency Project**

- Supporting the selection of a suitable location for the woodshed and processing yard in collaboration with leadership and public consultation
- Quantify approximate wood consumption (cords/year) for each home and building
- Identify the need for woodsheds for each home and building and, if applicable, identify suitable location of woodshed and woodshed design options
- Identify community members with qualifications to support the wood supply program (e.g., chainsaw operators, cord splitter operators, other manual labor)
- Identify tools and equipment needed for wood harvesting and supply both existing and recommended for purchase
- Working with existing wood harvesting crew in WKN, identify available wood to be harvested in vicinity of community and review option for lake salvage with Fisheries

### **Responsibilities for the Geothermal Energy Exploration Project**

- Support and coordination of community engagement events and field activities
- Help coordinate community events and programs to the community, youth, elders, and leadership
- Familiarize with geothermal and its socioeconomic aspects to be a point of contact for the community (with support from Barkley Project Group team members)
- Participate in communications and promote community involvement
- Coordinate local resources and logistics (e.g. truck use, boat operator, bear watch) in support of geothermal field activities
- Compile traditional knowledge relevant to geothermal
- Meet with community members, elders and Indigenous knowledge holders
- Gather and document information and stories about geothermal and hot springs in Wuikinuxv territory
- Coordinate approach and involvement of WKN Lands Department

#### Commitment

- Target Start Date: November 15, 2024
- Target Completion Date: March 31, 2025
- Average of 20-30 hours per week
- People with no experience, but a genuine interest in renewable energy and social change are encouraged to apply.

#### **Compensation**: \$30/hour

#### How to Apply

To apply, please email your cover letter and resume to Malista McIntyre by email at <u>executive\_director@wuikinuxv.net</u> or Clifford Hanuse by email at capital\_manager@wuikinuxv.net. Please included "Wood Supply & Geothermal Coordinator - <Insert Name>" in your subject line.

Thank you to all those who are interested and apply.