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# **Job Board Posting**



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# **Chief Executive Officer**

Job ID F0-7C-5B-95-46-1C Web Address https://careers.indigenous.link/viewjob?jobname=F0-7C-5B-95-46-1C Company **Blueberry River Restoration Society** Location Fort St John & Remote, British Columbia **Date Posted** From: 2024-02-14 To: 2024-08-12 Job Type: Full-time Category: Engineering Job Start Date As soon as possible \$200K To \$300K per year Job Salary Languages English

#### Description

Chief Executive Officer

The BC Supreme Court, in its historic and precedent-setting ruling on June 29, 2021, ruled that the BC Government breached Blueberry River First Nations' Treaty 8 rights by overdeveloping the land, and that the cumulative effects of industrial development have displaced Blueberry River First Nations members and have forcibly interfered with their treaty right to practice their traditional vocations. The Blueberry River Implementation Agreement was established in January 2023 between the BC Government and Blueberry River First Nations to serve as a framework to rectify these treaty right infringements, with an initial \$200 million being allocated to fund these activities. To this end, the Blueberry River Restoration Society has been established to carry out the mission, as set out in the Blueberry River Implementation Agreement, of investing in projects that focus on healing the land and the people of Blueberry River First Nations.

We are searching for an innovative, resourceful, and service-focused leader for the position of CEO, Blueberry River Restoration Society.

Reporting to the Board of Directors, and in accordance with the Blueberry River Implementation Agreement, the CEO will develop, nurture, and lead a high-performing team to implement a comprehensive process of reciprocal restoration. With objectives that emphasize the importance of both environmentally and culturally effective restoration, the CEO will play a crucial role in overseeing large-scale restoration projects that aim to revitalize forests, wildlife habitats, and water sources traditionally used by the Blueberry River First Nations. The CEO's leadership is pivotal in restoring ecological balance, re-establishing the community's connection to the land, and preserving traditional vocations and a way of life for current and future generations.

The CEO will embody and promote a culture of servant leadership and will foster collaborative relationships with the Board, Blueberry River First Nations, and other key partners to promote open communication, mutual trust, aligned goals, and inclusive decision-making.

#### Experience

A minimum of five years of senior leadership experience within Indigenous economic development,

non-profit organizations, environmental restoration, or an equivalent combination of education and experience. This role requires a unique individual who is comfortable with strategy and execution, and who brings experience working effectively with a governance board. The role requires a depth of experience working with First Nations, an understanding of the historical context for First Nations in Canada, knowledge of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

### **Education Requirements**

The CEO will bring a bachelor's degree in business, environmental sciences, Indigenous studies, or a related field, or equivalent experience.

## Work Environment

The Society's office will be located in Blueberry River First Nation territory (Fort St. John) with the majority of staff based at the office. The CEO will ideally work with the team from the community-based office, however flexibility for the right candidate to work remotely with regular travel to the community is absolutely an option the board will consider.

# Other

The CEO with Blueberry River Restoration Society offers a unique opportunity to play a historic role in advancing First Nations treaty rights, shaping meaningful progress for the Nations and has implications for wider Canadian society. This role is positioned at the intersection of environmental healing and its interconnectedness with people and will serve as a model for others to follow. This is a call for a dedicated and passionate individual ready to leave a legacy in a transformative organization with substantial investment and a lasting impact.

This unique role offers a salary range of \$200,000 to \$300,000. The final agreed-upon salary may vary based on factors such as the individual's skill set, job-related knowledge, and level of experience.

If this high-profile, history making and impactful role is of interest to you, this is your opportunity to let us know.

For more information, contact Max Mollineaux at WMC, maxm@wmc.bc.ca.

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