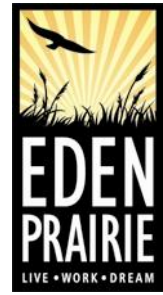


Summer Volunteer Wetland Monitors Needed!!



Have you ever experienced the living wonders of our wetlands? The City of Eden Prairie invites you to join other volunteers throughout Hennepin and Dakota Counties who help monitor wetlands for the Wetland Health Evaluation Program (WHEP). In addition to providing a great learning opportunity, the program provides very useful quality assured data. This information helps determine the health of our water resources and will provide assistance with developing natural resource management alternatives in the future.



Last summer over 50 adult volunteers participated in this program. This award winning program is enriching, educational and fun. Volunteers work in a team with other city residents to study the biological health of wetlands in Eden Prairie. Come spend time wading through wetlands to collect and identify dragonflies, cattails, sedges and more!

You do not need a science background or previous monitoring experience to participate. Volunteers work under the direction of a team leader and receive training on wetland monitoring including plant and insect identification. All necessary training, equipment, and leadership is provided. Volunteers provide the enthusiasm!

The time commitment for volunteers in the program is about 40 – 50 hours per month from May through July. This includes training, field work and lab work. All equipment is provided. For more information or to become a volunteer call Jenny Schaust at Hennepin County 612-596-9129 or view the WHEP website at www.mnwhep.org.

If you would like more information, you can call Leslie Stovring, City Environmental Coordinator, at 952-949-8327 or email her at lstovring@edenprairie.org. The Wetland Health Evaluation Program is a joint venture between the City of Eden Prairie and the Hennepin County.

