

Unama'ki Institute of Natural Resources Employment Opportunity

Indigenous Community Liaison Coordinator – Renewable Energy

2 year term - ending March 2024

UINR is a non-profit natural resource management organization that works on behalf of Cape Breton's Mi'kmaw communities on natural resource management and Traditional Mi'kmaq Knowledge toward a sustainable Unama'ki.

To support capacity building within the five Mi'kmaq communities in Cape Breton, UINR is collaborating with Net Zero Atlantic (NZA), seeking to hire an Indigenous Community ILaison who will promote knowledge sharing, communication and information exchange between Mi'kmaq communities and NZA project coordinators on a variety of subjects related to renewable energy project development, with a focus on offshore wind.

Net Zero Atlantic (NZA) is helping Atlantic Canada move toward a more sustainable energy future by producing credible, objective data to inform sound energy policies and decisions. Focus is on coordinating research and projects that will help to decarbonize the region's economy, mitigating climate change impacts and moving Atlantic Canada toward net-zero emissions by 2050.

Key Responsibilities

- Promote knowledge sharing, communication and information exchange between Mi'kmaq communities and NZA project coordinators.
- Organize and participate in meetings, understand/interpret complex renewable energy issues, lead project meetings and produce comprehensive reports, provide advice and assistance, and communicate well both orally and in writing, all of which is in collaboration with NZA and reporting to community partners
- Identify and engage Indigenous community leaders that have an interest in renewable energy.
- Establish a network of key personnel from our member communities with a shared interest in building capacity for Mi'kmaq communities in the renewable energy sector.
- Support relationship building between Indigenous, rural, and other marginalized communities.
- Work with a variety of stakeholders to create the enabling conditions for renewable energy related capacity building in indigenous communities.
- Plan and support the rollout of engagement sessions and educational forums on renewable energy topics.

Position Requirements

- A Bachelors degree or diploma in related field, or equivalent work experience
- Demonstrated expertise in project reporting; Excellent critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Excellent communication skills and a desire to collaborate; Outgoing, at ease with people.
- Independent worker, well organized, self starter
- Highlight any experience working with Indigenous communities/organizations, and demonstrated experience or background with renewable energy projects
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Salary: To be determined, based on experience

Deadline for application: Monday, June 17, 2022 at 4pm AST

Send resumes to: Annie Johnson, Director of Administration Email: annie@uinr.ca