

Reef Check Oregon Volunteer Coordinator

The Reef Check Foundation seeks a Volunteer Coordinator to help establish a Citizen Science Subtidal Monitoring Program in Oregon. The Volunteer Coordinator will work with the recreational and scientific dive community, state and government officials, and tribal parties to establish a network of rocky reef sites that will be annually surveyed by citizen scientists in support of the state's Marine Reserve monitoring efforts, and kelp forest restoration efforts organized by the Oregon Kelp Alliance (ORKA) along the Oregon coast. The Volunteer Coordinator will work closely with the Program Director and other staff. This position involves extensive field work and diving.

Primary responsibilities:

- Organize volunteer trainings, recertifications, and schedule surveys
- Assist with diver trainings
- Organize and lead scientific survey dives
- Data management
- Outreach activities

Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree in marine biology or related science with excellent oral and written communication skills is preferred. Significant recent Oregon diving experience, a professional dive certification (Dive Master or above), scientific diving experience (e.g. AAUS), and knowledge of Oregon marine life is a must.

Successful candidates must have a strong work ethic coupled with a high level of self-motivation and enthusiasm. We are looking for a team player and someone who is an outstanding leader and able to inspire volunteers. Experience managing and leading volunteers is a plus and a background in marine biology is strongly preferred. This position is based ideally on the Oregon Coast. Applicants will need to have their own dive gear in good working order, a computer with reliable internet access, a driver's license and dependable transportation. We are looking for a candidate that can commit for at least a year, preferably longer, to this position.

This is a part-time position (20 hours/week). Most surveys and training sessions are held on weekends, so working on weekends will be mandatory. Compensation is commensurate with experience. To apply, send cover letter detailing experience, resume and two references to Dan Abbott at dabbott@reefcheck.org by May 16th, 2021.