## Field Research Assistant Wanted

I am hiring a summer Field Research Assistant to help collect plant and soil data in support of my Master of Science thesis research at the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC), based out of the Terrace campus.

- July through August, 2018 (6 weeks, dates to be determined).
- Wage is \$15/hour (plus overtime for any long field days).

The research objectives are to identify environmental factors and management practices that promote vegetation recovery on deactivated or closed forest roads after timber harvesting. The abundance of different plant species will be described and soil samples will be collected for laboratory analysis. Forest roads are one example of anthropogenically (man-made) disturbed sites where data on assisted or unassisted vegetation recovery can be collected to make recommendations for improved restoration practices on disturbed sites in northwestern BC.

Requirements:

- Enrolled in a post-secondary program of study, returning to classes in September 2018.
- Possess a valid Social Insurance Number (be a Canadian citizen, landed immigrant, or student/visitor authorized to work in Canada).
- Possess a valid BC or equivalent driver's license.
- Possess at least a Level 1 Occupational First Aid certificate (or must obtain one before July 1<sup>st</sup>).
- Physically capable of working outdoors in mountainous terrain and a variety of weather conditions.
- Can adapt to changing conditions and work well in a team.
- Willing to work up to 10 hour field days (our daily objective is to sample 2 sites per day on different forest roads near Terrace, BC).

Desirable skills:

- Good plant species identification skills.
- Experience working outdoors in bear country.
- Experience with GPS, compass, and map reading.
- Well organized, neat handwriting.
- Ability to take precise measurements, pay attention to detail.

If you are looking to gain experience in vegetation and soil field work, this is a great summer job opportunity. Please feel free to contact me for more information, or send a resumé and cover letter directly to Kim Lutz at <u>lutzk@unbc.ca</u>. Please submit applications by June 10<sup>th</sup>, but this posting will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.