



## Volunteer Photographer

Do you enjoy capturing people, nature, and objects with photography? Do you have a passion for the outdoors and working with people? Become a Volunteer Photographer and use your camera skills to document stunning landscape, conservation practices, and landowner interactions for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

### DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

- Assist NRCS in documenting conservation activities through photography. This includes but is not limited to before and after photos.
- Take digital photographs of employees engaging with landowners on field visits.
- Obtain photo release forms from landowners who are captured during photography sessions
- Upload all images to Indiana NRCS Flickr account in a timely fashion
- Work with local field office employees to provide caption for each uploaded photo

### KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS DESIRED

- Have the ability to take quality professional-level photos for federal publications
- Have experience working with high quality camera equipment
- Be friendly, polite, respectful, and enjoy working with people
- Be able to work independently
- Be able to occasionally stand for a long period of time
- Be reliable, punctual, and represent NRCS in a professional manner

### REQUIREMENTS

- Sign a volunteer agreement form (if under 18, volunteer will require parental consent)
- Work with local field offices to schedule time to take photographs
- Have high quality photo equipment or work with local field offices to borrow equipment.
- Wear volunteer shirt or name badge (provided) and carry essential volunteer documents when working alone
- Record all hours spent volunteering and report those hours to the volunteer coordinator on a monthly basis
- Must have license and transportation to and from field office or photo site.
- If utilizing a government vehicle, sign all release forms and complete vehicle training in a timely fashion.

### BENEFITS

- Opportunity to work with a friendly, fun, and motivated group of people
- Build your portfolio and strengthen your creative abilities
- Ability to volunteer on your own time.
- Opportunity to volunteer solely within your county or expand your area to your liking

### CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are interested in becoming an Earth Team Volunteer Photographer, please contact Kris Vance, State Earth Team Volunteer Coordinator at: [kris.vance@in.usda.gov](mailto:kris.vance@in.usda.gov) or 317-295-5822 for more information.

NOTE: Images taken while on NRCS time are the property of NRCS. The Natural Resources Conservation Service has final decision as to what portion of products created in the course of the volunteer's tour of duty will be used. Volunteer will be credited for photographs published under NRCS.

