

# Wisconsin Ephemeral Pond Project (WEPP) 2009 Volunteer Information

## Volunteer Monitor Responsibilities

- Attend program orientation and training sessions *in their entirety* to become familiar with monitoring methods, equipment, forms, and data entry procedures
- Work as part of a team of volunteers to conduct the monitoring
- Visit a minimum of three ponds with your team during 2009
- Visit each pond at least once; three or more visits may be necessary
- Commit a total of 15-20 hours between April & October 2009 to monitor these ponds
- Report results to Wisconsin DNR
- Complete an evaluation at the end of the season
- Take care of the equipment & return it in good condition



## Qualifications

- No science background is needed (although it's helpful)
- Ability to walk on uneven ground & enter water
- Enjoyment of the outdoors

## Benefits

- Learn about these amazing epicenters of biodiversity from statewide experts through hands-on training and mentorship!
- Connect to the greater WI Citizen-Based Volunteer Monitoring Network
- Be an integral part of the ground-breaking effort to identify and assess ephemeral ponds in Wisconsin
- Equipment provided
- Meet other enthusiastic, involved citizens

