My Summer Intern Experience

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This summer, I was lucky to get an internship at the Department of Environmental Protection's South District. I've learned a lot as an intern and it's rewarding to see how my education has helped me at this internship. My internship consisted of three topic areas. The outreach portion consisted of making habitat posters and games for summer camps. I enjoyed this work since this topic is what I want to focus on in my studies. Second, I went on field trips and learned from professionals about their job duties. I helped with algae bloom and water samplings. I put to use knowledge from class which made me feel my education was being put to good use. I also worked in permitting, compliance and wetland determinations and learned how to identify plants at site inspections. Lastly, I assisted in inspecting a lift station and learned about transfer stations for waste management. The people that work in the South District have been nothing but nice and helpful with my internship and have made it a truly memorable experience.



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