



## Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

BIOLOGIST - AGFC BIOLOGIST

POSITION NO: 22096114

### **POSTING INFORMATION:**

Advertisement Opens: Oct. 2, 2018

Advertisement Closes: Oct. 16, 2018

Full Time: Yes

Salary: \$40,535.00 - \$40,535.00 Annually

### **POSTING REQUIREMENTS:**

#### Minimum Education and/or Experience:

The formal education equivalent of a bachelor's degree in biology, zoology, botany, or a related field.

#### Preferred Education and/or Experience:

Two years of experience in wildlife management or a related field.

#### Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

Knowledge of the principles of biology, ecology, and related environmental sciences. Knowledge of game and fish management programs including propagation, cultivation, and harvesting techniques. Knowledge of game and fish laboratory and field survey equipment, techniques, and procedures. Ability to plan, organize, and oversee the work of subordinates. Ability to make public presentations and conduct hunter safety classes. Ability to plan work unit objectives and operational activities and to assign and direct the work of subordinate supervisors. Ability to conduct scientific game and fish surveys and studies.

#### Preferred Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

Possession of effective organizational skills, strong written and verbal communication skills, including strong public speaking skills, are essential to successful performance of duties. It is preferred that individual has demonstrated ability to perform effectively in a team environment. Strong computer skills including proficiency in Microsoft Office programs, GPS, and GIS programs including ArcMap; Advanced knowledge of wildlife management and restoration techniques and habitat management practices used in restoration and conservation. Knowledge of the principles of biology, ecology, and related environmental sciences. Knowledge of game and fish management programs. Ability to plan and organize assigned tasks independently and prioritize a varied workload. Ability to conduct scientific game and fish surveys and studies. Knowledge of moist soil management and techniques. Knowledge of bottomland hardwood, and Green Tree Reservoir management.

### **POSTING DETAILS:**

Position Location:

City: Brinkley

Office: Brinkley Regional Office

Division: Wildlife Management

Job Summary:

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) Biologist is responsible for supervising wildlife and timber management in a wildlife management area. This position is governed by state and federal laws and agency policy.

Typical Functions:

Coordinates and participates in conducting biological surveys and studies of fish and wildlife to determine population growth, propagation rates, and the effect of environmental and human conditions on particular species. Participates in developing wildlife management area recommendations and the development of the five-year plan for future Game and Fish activities and acquisitions. Approves billings and projects expenditures and assists supervisor in preparing the district budget. Conducts hunter safety classes or public meetings on new and proposed rules and regulations. Writes news releases on activities in the district. Performs other duties as assigned.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

Oversees and organizes budgets and management/maintenance activities on selected Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) within Region 2. Leads habitat and wildlife management planning activities on multiple WMAs within Region 2. Serves in a supervisory role for the Conservation Program Technicians conducting daily work activities on assigned WMAs within the region. Performs routine administrative duties required to comply with program, division and agency standards. Works cooperatively with a diverse group of conservation partners including both state and federal agencies and non-governmental organizations. Conducts and organizes wildlife research and survey activities. Performs other duties as assigned.

This position is required, as per the Prescribed Fire Planning and Implementation Procedures and Policy, to complete a two-mile walk carrying 25 pounds in 30 minutes within the first year of employment.

This position is required to obtain and maintain a Class A Commercial Driver's License within 1 year of employment. This position is required to obtain and maintain a Non-Commercial Pesticide Applicators license within 1 year of employment. This position will serve as the Nuisance Bear Coordinator and alternate Alligator Coordinator for Region 2.

Certificates, Licenses, or Registrations:

Must possess a valid Arkansas driver's license.

Special Job Dimensions:

Frequent in-state travel and field work with exposure to inclement weather is required. Occasional exposure to hunters and dangerous animals may be required. Occasionally will be required to work long hours under harsh conditions.

Other Specific Information:

All applicants are subject to a criminal background check.

As an equal opportunity employer, the Commission will make any reasonable accommodations necessary to ensure equal employment opportunities.