



Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

AGFC VETERINARIAN - AGFC VETERINARIAN

POSITION NO: 22096391

POSTING INFORMATION:

Advertisement Opens: Oct. 28, 2022

Advertisement Closes: Dec. 15, 2022

Full Time: No

Salary: \$89,368.00 - \$130,050.00 Annually

POSTING REQUIREMENTS:

Minimum Education and/or Experience:

The formal education of a doctorate of veterinary medicine (DVM); plus four years of experience in conservation, wildlife rehabilitation, animal care, or research *OTHER JOB-RELATED EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR ALL OR PART OF THESE BASIC REQUIREMENTS, EXCEPT FOR CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, UPON APPROVAL OF THE HUMAN RESOURCES CHIEF.*

Preferred Education and/or Experience:

A bachelor's degree in fisheries or wildlife conservation, animal science, or a related field and 2 years of work or research experience in fish or wildlife health OR a graduate degree in fisheries or wildlife conservation or a related field.

Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine or equivalent degree and eligible to be licensed as a veterinarian in the State of Arkansas.

Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

- Knowledge of federal and state laws, regulations, and procedures that affect animal health programs
- Knowledge of the fish and wildlife industries and their diseases
- Ability to research and interpret federal and state laws and regulations and apply to existing and new animal health programs
- Ability to develop and present educational seminars to groups and individuals

Preferred Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

N/A

POSTING DETAILS:

Position Location:

City: Little Rock

Office: Little Rock Central Office

Division: Research

Job Summary:

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) Veterinarian is responsible for leading the state's wildlife and fisheries health program, directing health and disease research, and providing veterinary medical support to AGFC programs throughout Arkansas. This position is governed by state and federal laws and agency policy.

Typical Functions:

- Assists with programs to prevent, control, and manage disease in fish and wildlife
- Provides veterinary technical support for conservation programs, including anesthesia, surgery, and forensics
- Responds to licensed veterinarians and citizens regarding fish and wildlife issues
- Assists with educational seminars on diseases

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

The Veterinary Fellow will engage in a two year training opportunity, learning how to integrate veterinary science with wildlife management:

- Coordinate with other state and federal agencies to prepare statewide response plans for disease outbreaks and other adverse events involving captive and free-ranging fish and wildlife species.
- Assist with the investigation of disease outbreaks and other adverse events in fish and wildlife.
- Coordinate training events for wildlife rehabilitators, private practice veterinarians, and veterinary technicians on topics including wildlife care, biosafety, and biosecurity to improve statewide preparedness.
- Coordinate training events for AGFC staff across divisions on topics including biosafety, biosecurity, and mortality investigation to improve agency preparedness.
- Participate in the revision of the state's interagency Aquatic Nuisance Species plan to help incorporate additional pathogens as ANS and evaluate the disease risk of other ANS (i.e., host species).
- Develop a comprehensive management plan for sarcoptic mange in black bears, including surveillance, response, research, and outreach; help coordinate additional surveillance and research efforts for bear mange.

Certificates, Licenses, or Registrations:

Must be licensed as a Veterinarian by the Veterinary Medical Examining Board in accordance with ACA 17-101-301.

Must possess a valid Arkansas driver's license.

Special Job Dimensions:

This position has the designation of a safety-sensitive position. Applicants being considered for this position are subject

to pre-employment drug and alcohol testing. Refusal to submit to testing will result in disqualification of further employment consideration. If offered a position, employees in this position will be subject to periodic drug and alcohol testing.

Other Specific Information:

All applicants are subject to a criminal background check.

A cover letter and two letters of recommendation are required.

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