



Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

CONSERVATION PROGRAM BIOLOGIST II - CONSERVATION PROGRAM BIOLOGIST II

POSITION NO: 22096291

POSTING INFORMATION:

Advertisement Opens: Sept. 4, 2024

Advertisement Closes: Oct. 16, 2024

Full Time: Yes

Salary: \$68,068.00 - \$68,068.00 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; plus three years of experience in wildlife management, including one year in a leadership capacity.

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 Master's Degree in Fisheries Management is strongly preferred.

Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

Knowledge of the principles of biology, ecology, and related environmental sciences.

Knowledge of game and fish management programs.

Knowledge of game and fish laboratory and field survey equipment, techniques, and procedures.

Knowledge of supervisory practices and procedures.

Knowledge of state purchasing procedures.

Ability to plan work unit objectives and operational activities and to assign and direct the work of subordinates.

Ability to make public presentations.

Ability to plan and direct scientific game and fish surveys and studies.

Ability to plan work unit objectives and operational activities and to assign and direct the work of subordinate supervisors.

Ability to develop, implement, and monitor wildlife management plans and programs.

Preferred Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

- Knowledge of fish population dynamics, population simulation modeling, and common statistical analysis
- Skill in working with the public
- Experience in current fish sampling techniques
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Physically able to work long hours, sometimes under harsh or physically demanding conditions
- Strong teamwork concept, yet capable of completing a task without close supervision
- Strong organizational skills.

POSTING DETAILS:

Position Location:

City: Monticello

Office: Monticello Regional Office

Division: Fisheries

Job Summary:

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) Conservation Program Biologist II is responsible for supervising a wildlife or fisheries management area. This position is governed by state and federal laws and agency/institution policy.

Typical Functions:

Supervises a small to medium-sized professional staff by interviewing, recommending hire or termination, assigning and reviewing work, evaluating employee performance, and training employees.

Plans and directs studies and surveys of game and fish species and collects and analyzes data on game and fish species. Analyzes and develops recommendations on district game seasons, wildlife management areas, fish re-stocking, and game re-establishment.

Prepares activity and program reports and writes research papers or articles on game and fish studies for publication.

Prepares and submits wildlife management or fisheries plans. Develops and monitors expenditures and reviews and approves purchase requests for supplies, equipment, food plots, and stocking and relocation of wildlife.

Coordinates district and division programs with various state, federal, and private industry officials and makes presentations to civic groups, schools, and clubs.

Conducts public meetings to explain new and/or proposed rules and regulations and/or to hear complaints about wildlife management.

Performs other duties as assigned.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

As a District Fisheries Supervisor for the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, you will join a highly-trained, progressive team of fisheries scientists working to improve the conservation and management of aquatic resources in Arkansas. You will receive outstanding training and competitive pay and benefits. District Fisheries Supervisors are responsible for fisheries management activities within a district, with opportunities to collaborate on projects throughout the state. Job duties include standardized fish population surveys, onsite and offsite angler surveys, stakeholder engagement, fish habitat improvement projects, analysis of survey data, preparation of annual fishery sample report management plans, all district administrative duties, fishing access development, and working with other agencies and elected officials on improving fisheries resources.

This position is located in southeast Arkansas in the Delta ecoregion. Fisheries resources are abundant and include Arkansas and Mississippi Rivers, as well as Lakes Chicot, Grand, Wallace, Wilson, Enterprise, Grampus, Georgia Pacific, and Morgan Point Bendway. This position works under the supervision of the Fisheries District Coordinator in the Management Section of the Fisheries Division.

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.

Other Specific Information:

All applicants are subject to a criminal background check.

For questions or additional information on the position, please contact Matt Schroeder, Fisheries District Coordinator, at email: matthew.schroeder@agfc.ar.gov or by phone: 501-604-0484.

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