



Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

AGFC Biologist I - **AGFC BIOLOGIST I**

POSITION NO: 22095827

POSTING INFORMATION:

Advertisement Opens: Sept. 24, 2024

Advertisement Closes: Oct. 8, 2024

Full Time: Yes

Salary: \$49,526.00 - \$75,004.00 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.

OTHER JOB-RELATED EDUCATION AND 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 wildlife biology, conservation biology, natural resources, environmental science or a related field plus one year of experience in a related field

OR

A master's degree in wildlife biology, conservation biology, natural resources, environmental science 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 subordinate.
- 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:

- Knowledge of wildlife management principles and techniques
- Knowledge of laboratory and field survey equipment, techniques, and procedures
- Ability to develop and implement wildlife research, monitoring or management projects
- Ability to operate equipment necessary for completing habitat project such as boats, ATVs, tractors and implements.
- Ability to acquire a non-commercial pesticide applicator license within 1 year
- Class A CDL may be required based on job duties assigned

POSTING DETAILS:

Position Location:

City: Hope

Office: Hope Regional Office

Division: Wildlife Management

Job Summary:

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) Biologist I is responsible for supervising a wildlife or fisheries 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 project expenditures and assists the 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:

- Development and oversight of Wildlife Management Area (WMA) budgets related to management, maintenance and operational activities within the region
- Coordinates and leads habitat and wildlife management planning activities on multiple WMAs within the region
- Supervises Biological Technicians, part-time employees, etc., 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 state and federal agencies and non-governmental organizations
- Conducts and organizes wildlife research and survey activities
- Conducts and assists with regional trapping efforts of feral hogs on both public and private lands within the region
- Monitors and conducts boundary line marking on WMAs in area of responsibility
- Performs prescribed fire management operations that require physical fitness standards as per the Prescribed Fire Planning and Implementation policy
- Coordinates and participates in conducting biological surveys
- Participates in developing WMA budgets, contracts/job specifications, and approves bills/invoices and project expenditures

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
- Occasional exposure to hunters and dangerous animals

Other Specific Information:

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