Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Employment Job Posting

AGFC BIOLOGICAL TECHNICIAN I - **AGFC BIOLOGICAL TECHNICIAN I**

POSITION NO: 22096013

POSTING INFORMATION:

Advertisement Opens: Nov. 3, 2026

Advertisement Closes: Nov. 24, 2026

Full Time: Yes

Salary: $40,000.00 - $40,000.00 Annually

POSTING REQUIREMENTS:

Minimum Education and/or Experience:

The formal education equivalent of a high school diploma; plus two years of field experience in wildlife or fisheries management or forestry or land management, or a related area.

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:

The formal education equivalent of a bachelor's degree in wildlife or fisheries management or a related field, plus two (2) years' experience in an agriculture- or forestry-related field, and Class A CDL agriculture equipment operation experience.

Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

Knowledge of the procedures and methods used in wildlife management.

Knowledge of the equipment and techniques used to maintain buildings, grounds and equipment.

Knowledge of wildlife biology and the associated techniques used in wildlife management. Knowledge of agricultural methods and basic land laws.

Ability to identify common plants and animals found in Arkansas. Ability to collect biological samples.

Ability to use Microsoft Office Suite and Google Suite.

Ability to operate and maintain wildlife management equipment safely and effectively.

Preferred Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

- Ability to collect biological wildlife data, prepare reports, maintain files, and present oral and written information
- Knowledge of food plot cultivation and maintenance activities
- Knowledge of timber marking, wildlife stand improvement, land surveying, boundary marking, fire prevention, control burning, and other related forestry techniques
- Knowledge of bottomland hardwood management
- Knowledge of moist soil management techniques
- Knowledge of native warm-season grass planting/management techniques
- Ability to operate wildlife check stations, collect samples of wildlife, prepare reports, maintain files, and present oral and written information
- Ability to operate and maintain wildlife/farming equipment
- Basic computer skills to submit reports and communicate with regional staff
- Experience using ArcGIS software
- National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) certified Firefighter Type 2 (FFT2) with knowledge of prescribed fire.

POSTING DETAILS:

Position Location:
City: Brinkley
Office: Brinkley Regional Office
Division: Wildlife Management

Job Summary:

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) Biological Technician I is responsible for forest and fish propagation, fire prevention, cultivation, and harvesting activities, as well as maintaining a wildlife or fisheries management area. This position is governed by state and federal laws and agency policy..

Typical Functions:

- Assists program coordinators, habitat biologists, and field biologists in the planning, preparation, and implementation of wildlife habitat management and maintenance projects on wildlife management areas
- Conducts wildlife and habitat management activities on wildlife management areas.
- Monitors and operates wildlife management areas infrastructure, including levees, roads, parking lots, water control structures, waterways, campsites, etc.
- Conduct operations in compliance with state and federal regulations such as fire safety, accident prevention, vehicle operation, pesticide application and waterway drainage.
- Monitors assigned wildlife management areas for invasive species and assists in control efforts.
- Collects or assists in collecting biological samples and entering data. Collects biological data for wildlife monitoring and research.
- Calibrates and operates wildlife management equipment, such as seed drills, planters, weed eaters, chainsaws, lawn mowers, ATVs, boats, tractors, dozers, backhoes, rollers, sprayers and others as necessary.
- Serves as a member of the agency's prescribed burn program and assists with the implementation of prescribed burns on state-managed WMAs. Specific physical fitness demands for prescribed burning are required.
- Cleans, maintains, prepares, and supplies work areas.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

- Works under general supervision performing wildlife management activities
- Monitors contract activities
- Works in inclement weather under heavy physical demands
- Works outside of normal work hours to complete division and regional assignments
- Inspects forest lands for damage by insects or disease, assists in implementing plans or recommendations for control measures, and prepares plans for site preparation or improvement of planting, harvesting, marketing, or wildlife use
- Conducts or assists in researching collected samples, such as, blood, water, soil, and plant species, and examines animals and specimens to detect diseases or other problems
- Conducts agricultural and forest management activities and operation of agriculture equipment on wildlife management areas, including preparing seed beds, planting, disking, and bush hogging
- Gathers, provides, and presents general wildlife and forestry educational information to various federal, state, local health officers, community organizations, and the general public
- Assists in conducting various research projects, CWD, herd health checks, quail surveys, wood duck/dove banding
- Prepares reports on wildlife findings, conclusions, and recommendations
- Cleans, maintains, prepares, and supplies work areas
- Performs water level management on Green Tree Reservoirs(GTR) and moist soil units
- Operates and performs maintenance on water control structures
- Marks, maintains, and removes logs from boat trails
- Performs other duties as assigned and will assist on numerous Region II WMA's

Certificates, Licenses, or Registrations:

Must possess a valid Arkansas driver’s license.

Special Job Dimensions:

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Other Specific Information:

- 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 a Non-Commercial Pesticide Applicator's license within 1 year of employment.
- This position may be required to obtain a Class A Commercial Driver's License. All expenses related to obtaining this license will be paid by AGFC.

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