Job Description

Title: Fishery Technician III (Lamprey Project) (2 positions)
Salary: $41,893 per year (Comparable to GS 7) DOQ
Classification: Temporary, Full-time
Location: Portland, Oregon
Closing Date: March 31, 2020

Job Summary:

The Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission assists four tribes in the co-management of their treaty rights within the Columbia River Basin. The position offered is associated with the Commission’s Fish Management Department, within the ‘Implement Tribal Pacific Lamprey Restoration Plan’ project. The Lamprey project is engaged in several activities including but not limited to regional coordination on matters related to lamprey restoration and conservation, efforts to improve lamprey passage at Columbia River mainstem dams, parentage based tagging, genetics analysis, collections of adult lamprey for translocation, and conducting research, monitoring and evaluation projects with the CRITFC member tribes. This position will work primarily within the Lamprey project conducting trapping of Pacific Lamprey at mainstem dams in support of the member tribe’s translocation programs. The Fishery Technician will be responsible for accurately collecting and recording data in the field and transferring data to electronic format in the office. This position requires daily travel from the Portland duty station to the mainstem dam field sites, including early mornings and weekends. Additional travel may be required outside of the Portland area in support of research, monitoring, and evaluation projects.

Essential Job Functions:

This is an intermediate level position. The employee works closely with the Lamprey project in a developing capacity with increased responsibilities performing a range of duties and assignments. The primary duties for this position are in support of the adult Pacific Lamprey translocation project. The duties for the Fishery Technician may include, but are not limited to:

1. Setting and checking traps at the mainstem dams for collections, transport and holding of adult Pacific Lamprey for the CRITFC member tribes.
2. Drive from the Portland duty station to the mainstem dams on a daily basis in CRITFC vehicles during the adult migration/trapping season.
3. Monitor fish health during trapping, holding, and transporting.
4. Collect biological data and execute technical procedures.
5. Operate electronic sampling equipment and computers.
6. Take detailed sampling notes, conduct data entry, and data management.
7. Must have the ability to work in remote field locations and inclement weather.
8. Travel to field sites outside the Portland area. May require overnight stays.
Job Requirements / Qualifications:

We seek responsible and dependable individuals with interests in environmental and fisheries sciences who meet the following required qualifications:

- An interest in fisheries science and experience collecting natural resource data in the field. A bachelor’s degree in fisheries or a related field will substitute for work experience.
- Familiarity with biological research and the ability to execute detailed technical procedures.
- Ability to collect and maintain high quality data records from field and laboratory work.
- Ability to work effectively, positively, and as a team in field, office, and laboratory settings.
- Ability to work flexible work days and hours including early mornings, late evenings and weekends.
- Ability to travel for one or more nights at a time occasionally.
- A valid driver’s license, good driving record, and the ability to lift and carry objects weighing at least 50 pounds, and set and pull traps up to 75 lbs.

Supervision Received:  This position reports to the Fish Management department Lamprey Biologist or Lamprey Project Lead.

Supervision Given:  This position has no supervisory responsibilities

Physical Working Conditions:  This position will require occasional moving of heavy items, up to 50 lbs. to include setting and pulling lamprey pot traps up to 75 lbs. Ability to walk up and down stairs carrying heavy buckets. Additional or extended working hours may be required occasionally to meet job related duties and functions. Must be able work in physical environments requiring the employee to work both inside and outside in heat/cold, wet/humid, and dry/arid conditions.

CRITFC Motor Vehicle Policy:
The driver operating a CRITFC vehicle or their own private vehicle for business related purposes shall be in possession of a valid, unrestricted current driver’s license, or other operator’s license, as required by law; and be eligible for coverage under CRITFC’s Motor Vehicle insurance policy. Upon request, CRITFC’s Motor Vehicle policy is available to applicants to review the required criteria.

Application Procedures:

Under the authority of Section 7 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, CRITFC shall give preference in employment matters to qualified enrolled members of the four CRITFC member tribes, then to qualified enrolled members of other federally recognized tribes. If CRITFC is unable to fill openings with such qualified tribal members, other qualified applicants will be considered.

Incomplete applications will NOT be considered. Complete applications include a cover letter, CV/resume, a completed job application with signature (electronic/typed signature acceptable) and contact information for at least three professional references. The job application form is available on our website https://www.critfc.org/critfc-employment-opportunities/ or by calling 503-238-0667.