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National Council for Air and Stream Improvement, Inc.

Job Description

Position: **Aquatic Research Technician I – Post-fire Aquatic Ecology (2 positions)**
Reports to: Forest Watershed Scientist
Work Week: 40+ hours per week to meet work demands
Revised: March 12, 2024
Duty Station: Corvallis, OR
Duration: Seasonal Position, July – mid September 2024 (2.5 months)
Salary: Hourly, non-exempt position \$17-\$19 per hour, no housing provided
Key Words: Aquatic ecosystem ecology, managed forests, Oregon
Benefits: Position not eligible for benefits, does provide paid designated holidays

Essential Job Functions:

1. Conduct fish and macroinvertebrate surveys following established methodology.
2. Collect aquatic habitat data, water and benthic biomass samples, and download data from sensors.
3. Position will require working outdoors in inclement weather, often in recently harvested forest stands. Must be able to get to and work from remote locations, drive forest roads, read maps, navigate through a forested landscape, and relate well with the public.
4. Possess ability to carry-out associated field work that may involve prolonged (multi-day) exposure to inclement conditions and a necessity to hike carrying equipment (20 pounds or more) over rough terrain (for 2 miles or more).
5. Gather and analyze data and related information.
6. Willingness to have a flexible work schedule.
7. Overnight camping near study sites is expected.
8. Demonstrate an ability to work effectively with others toward meeting the goals of NCASI.
9. Develop a familiarity with NCASI's mission, policies, practices, and procedures.
10. Become acquainted with the environmental issues of the forest products industry.
11. Read, absorb, process, and communicate complex information. Assist the supervisor in responding to technical queries by NCASI clients and others in a competent and timely manner.

Additional Responsibilities:

1. Undertake additional activities as assigned by Supervisor.
2. Follow all COVID safety protocols.
3. Provide proof of full COVID vaccination.

Minimum Qualifications:

1. Interest in aquatic ecology and experience with ecology field work.

2. Must have driving record which can be approved by Federal Agencies to drive government vehicles and insured at standard rates.
3. Basic data entry experience (Microsoft Excel).

Preferred Qualifications:

1. Pursuing a bachelor's degree in a biological sciences discipline or related environmental field.
2. Experience with fish identification and aquatic ecology sampling protocols.

To Apply: Send cover letter, resume, and 3 references with phone numbers and e-mail addresses to: Laurie Clark at lclark@ncasi.org, identifying "**Aquatic Research Technician**" in the subject line. Applicant review will begin March 20, 2024, and continue until the position is filled. NCASI is an equal opportunity employer.