TEMPORARY HOURLY POSITION AVAILABLE

FISHERIES RESEARCH ASSISTANT (STREAM TEAM ASSISTANT)

LOCATION OF POSITION: Jefferson City

STARTING DATE, HOURS AND JOB LENGTH: August 1, 2011, 40hrs/week, ongoing as

long as annual budgets allow

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: July 1, 2011

WAGE: \$10.73/hour

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The candidate will work closely with other partnering agencies to assist in the implementation of the Stream Team and Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring (VWQM) Programs. His or her primary responsibility will be to assist the Stream Team VWQM Coordinator in implementing education, stewardship, and water quality monitoring activities statewide with Stream Team volunteers.

He or she will assist with presenting and teaching during Stream Team Water Quality workshops and Stream Team Academy workshops. The successful candidate will assist with ordering equipment for the VWQM Program.

This individual will provide information and assistance to Stream Teams on projects such as litter pickups, water quality monitoring, storm drain stenciling, and other activities undertaken by individual Stream Teams. He or she will participate in individual Stream Team activities and appear as the Department representative at Stream Team events. The successful candidate will also assist in preparing educational materials and articles for Team members and assisting with updates to and obtaining queries of information from the Stream Team database.

Other responsibilities will include assisting in advertising the Stream Team Program and promoting Stream Team signup; encouraging the adoption of Missouri streams by Stream Teams; assisting in coordinating promotional campaigns involving stream management and Stream Teams and leading educational presentations with school groups utilizing tools like the stream table.

Some evening, overnight and weekend work will be required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

B.S. in Fisheries, Wildlife, Forestry, Biology, Zoology, or Natural Resources, or related field.

Ability to deal with individuals from all walks of life; possess excellent communication skills, have good organizational and time management skills; good computer skills with the ability to use computer databases, spreadsheets, word processing and desktop publishing software; able to write clearly, concisely and understandably. Experience with MS Access, Word, Excel and PowerPoint, as well as GIS experience are preferred.

Familiarity with the Stream Team / Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program is beneficial. The candidate should be organized and have the ability to work efficiently with little supervision. Knowledge of natural resources; self-starter; flexible; and ability to take on new tasks are preferred.

The candidate must have the ability to obtain a valid Missouri driver's license at time of employment.

The successful candidate must be able to traverse steep, rough or slippery ground in less than ideal conditions while carrying equipment.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Candidates seeking initial or re-employment must submit to a drug screen following offer of employment.

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