Missouri Department of Conservation
MDC Employment Opportunities

Job Information

Job Title
2018-077, Watershed Streams Biologist at Sedalia Office, Sedalia

Salary Range
Salary Range: $36084 - $63588

Beginning Salary: Commensurate with work experience depending upon qualification.

Duties and Responsibilities

Responsible for making watershed/stream health diagnosis and devise and propose multiple potential strategies for addressing them. This requires knowledge of stream mechanics and geomorphic principles and compiling and reviewing watershed and stream conditions. It also requires knowledge of past, present, and future anthropogenic influence on the watersheds geophysical attributes. Excellent analytic, diplomatic, and communication skills required.

Responsible for coordinating and reviewing the design, installation, and documentation of stream improvement practices when requested. Documentation includes data collection by land surveying, mapping, data entry, analysis, and report writing.

Responsible for assisting in assessment and collecting of field data concerning instream flow, aquatic organism passage, and geomorphic relationships in order to make recommendations for protection of aquatic species.

Responsible for developing, organizing, teaching, presenting, and writing articles and reports on: watershed management, organizing stakeholders, stream dynamics, hydrology, geomorphology, watershed management, stream habitat, and related information for Department employees, other Federal and State Agencies, watershed groups, landowners, and the general public. Periodically responsible for scientific presentations at professional conferences.

Responsible for the development, maintenance, query, and analysis of databases containing watershed information, scientific stream related literature, stream observation reporting, priority watershed data and analysis information and others. These databases allow material that is requested to be shared with any interested parties needing informational assistance.

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Qualifications

Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's Degree in Biology, Ecology, Fisheries, Hydrology, Geology, or other related fields and two (2) years in watershed, stream ecology, fisheries, geology or related natural resource management; or a Bachelor's Degree and three (3) years of related professional experience; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

Candidates born after January 1, 1984, must be able to pass an approved boating safety course and obtain a Missouri Boating Safety Certification Card within 6 months of employment.

Special Ability Requirements

Ability to:
Obtain a Missouri Driver License by the date of employment.
Travel and stay overnight occasionally several times per week during summer months.
Express oneself clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
Make accurate identification of stream fishes using taxonomic keys and other aids.
Make independent decisions and act quickly and decisively on the determined course of action.
Adapt to a variety of job situations involving long hours, hazardous conditions and difficult circumstances.
Traverse rough terrain and work out-of-doors in extreme hot or cold conditions.
 Maneuver trailers pulled by vehicles.
Operate boats, outboard motors, motor vehicles including ½- and ¾-ton trucks and power tools and equipment.
**Exemption Status/Special Notes**

This position has been determined to be exempt according to the Fair Labor Standards Act. Employees must agree to accept compensatory time off in lieu of cash payments in accordance with the Department’s Compensatory Time Off and Overtime policy.

Smoking is prohibited in all owned, rented or leased Department of Conservation offices, buildings, and similar facilities, in Department aircraft, and in vehicles.

The Department of Conservation will hire only United States citizens and aliens authorized to work in the United States. All new employees will be required to complete an "Employment Eligibility Verification" (Form I-9) and produce requested documentation after employment.

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

All persons employed with the state of Missouri shall file all state income tax forms and pay all state income taxes owed.