

Okanagan Nation Alliance

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Wildlife Biologist 2

The Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA) is the tribal council for the eight Okanagan Nation communities which includes Osoyoos Indian Band, Upper Nicola Band, Upper Similkameen Indian Band, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Penticton Indian Band, Westbank First Nation, Okanagan Indian Band and the Confederated Tribes of the Northern WA state. The ONA's mandate is to advance, assert, support and preserve Okanagan Nation sovereignty. Further, the ONA is charged with providing members with a forum to discuss and form positions on areas of common concern.

The Wildlife Biologist 2 will undertake duties associated with ONA initiatives with a specific focus on wildlife, hunting and natural resources. The job incumbent will be responsible for the active participation and coordination of a variety of wildlife and natural resource projects and programming within ONA territory, specifically within the upper Columbia and Kootenay regions. The successful applicant should be comfortable working in a fast-paced and dynamic environment, supervise field crews, be able to work independently and have excellent communication skills.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

- Design, plan and manage several projects, supervise field crews, work independently most of the time, and demonstrate
 excellent communication skills.
- Provide scientific information and advice, recommend strategies, standards and methodologies in support of healthy, productive and sustainable wildlife habitat and wildlife populations.
- Coordinate and implement natural resource projects which will include working with consultants, government agencies, member bands and ONA departments
- Perform administrative and other critical tasks attached to the position which include, inputting, maintaining and summarizing data and relevant information in databases and provide data as required, budgeting, and quality control
- Perform standard methods and protocols associated with field/laboratory analysis of physical parameters and the operation of manual or automated analytical instrumentation
- Other duties as required

Qualifications and Experience:

- A Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Biology, Natural Resource Management, or related field, with a minimum of 3 years experience
- Demonstrated experience presenting at workshops/conferences, project management, overseeing of work plans, field work, reporting and budgets, experience in scientific sampling theory and techniques and technical writing
- A reliable vehicle and valid driver's license are requirements
- First Aid Level 1 with Transportation Endorsement and swift water rescue certification is required. Pleasure Craft Operators Card/Marine Emergency Duties (MED A3) is an asset.
- Experience in wildlife capture techniques and handling small boats will be an asset
- Preference will be given to qualified applicants of Okanagan Aboriginal ancestry

Hours: Full Time, 40 hours per week, with flexible work hours (e.g. some evening and weekends). A market related salary, pension and benefits package is attached to the position.

Application Procedures: Interested candidates are invited to send a current resumé and covering letter must be submitted to:

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Email: <u>dleroux@syilx.org</u> Fax: (250) 707-0166 The competition closes September 30, 2016.

The Competition closes september 20, 2010.

Thank you for your interest, **No Phone Calls Please** only those short-listed will be contacted.