



amnis opes institute llc
specializing in water resources

Positions: Fish Taxonomist, Field Technician

Salary: Hourly rate DOE, overtime and per diem pay

Location: OR, with travel to other western states

Duration: May 26, 2018 to October 10, 2018

Position Description: Employees in these positions will be involved with collecting and processing biological, chemical and physical data for a large river and stream assessment. Primary duties include: boat electrofishing, backpack electrofishing, quantifying riparian and littoral habitat, collecting biological and water samples, shipping samples, recording data and identifying fish and amphibians to species. These surveys will be conducted by wading or a combination of wading and inflatable rafts. You may have to contact land owners to request permission to access their property. These positions require frequent work outdoors, at night, wading/boating in deep and/or swift water under adverse weather conditions. You may be required to participate in long hikes over steep, brushy terrain with packs weighing up to 50 lbs. Additional duties include driving long distances, cleaning, maintaining and repairing equipment. Work schedules will be irregular and may only be formalized days ahead of time depending on stream conditions and other factors. Starting and stopping times may vary on a daily basis. You will be expected to work anywhere from 20 to 80 hours per week (typically 40-55 hours). All positions are based out of Corvallis; however employees may be traveling for up to two months at a time with only infrequent days off. Personal travel during your day off will be difficult if not impossible. Travel to and between work locations will be in Amnis Opes Institute (AOI) vehicles and employees will be either camping or staying in motels when traveling. While employees are in the field, AOI will pay for lodging and provide a meal per diem.

Preferred Skills and Experience:

Ability to identify fish and amphibian species and handle live fish and amphibians safely. College coursework in stream ecology, ichthyology and amphibian taxonomy. Experience operating and towing rafts up to 20 feet in length. Familiarity with boat and backpack electrofishing, computers, multimeters and GPS units. Familiarity with stream ecology and methods used to quantify stream and riparian habitats. Experience wading in streams. Experience hiking off-trail on uneven terrain and steep slopes. Experience cleaning, maintaining and repairing field equipment. Experience driving on unimproved roads.

Requirements:

All applicants must have a valid driver's license and an acceptable driving record. You must be able to work well with others and treat crew members and the public respectfully. Ability to work long irregular hours in adverse weather conditions with limited time off. Willingness to keep your personal opinion on logging, ranching, fishing etc., private when dealing with landowners and the public. Ability to follow established protocols and accurately record data. Duties may require lifting up to 80 lbs and carry up to a 50 lb backpack through brushy stream banks. You must be able to work independently, efficiently and successfully complete assigned tasks.

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