



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
INTERMEDIATE FISHERIES BIOLOGIST
Seasonal Position with possibility of longer term employment

Lake Babine Nation is in search of a **Biologist** that will work from the beautiful community of Ft. Babine (*One hour North from Smithers, B.C.*) located at the northern tip of Babine Lake.

The **Intermediate Fisheries Biologist** will undertake duties with project and work sites primarily at the Babine River Counting facility. The successful applicant should be comfortable with: working in a dynamic environment, supervising field crews, able to work independently and have excellent verbal and written communication skills.

- **Salary commensurate with skills and experience.**
- **The position is seasonal, guaranteed to start in early July and end in early October but may start as early as late April and continue through the end of the field season pending performance and funding availability.**

Key Duties & Responsibilities:

- Coordinate and implement fisheries projects which will include:
 - Operation of Babine River adult salmon enumeration program. The timing for this project is from the first week of July to the first week of October.
 - Pending funding availability and staffing requirements, share in the supervision of the sockeye smolt outmigration program starting during the last week of April.
 - Biological sampling and habitat use assessments
 - Analysis and interpret monitoring data
 - Quality control of all aspects of the project from design to reporting
- Supervision and training of field crews, monitoring data and assess fish and aquatic issues in Babine Lake
- Identify and assist in the development of potential fisheries proposals and projects, technical data entry in Microsoft Excel and Access Programs
- Crew scheduling and submission of timesheets
- Preparation and review of scientific technical reports,
- Provide technical power point presentations to scientific peers and Lake Babine Nation Chief and Council, band members if requested.
- Other duties as required

Minimum Qualifications and Experience:

- A Bachelor of Science Degree in Natural Resources related field with a minimum of three (3) field seasons involving adult and/or juvenile salmonid species identification and enumeration
- Five years' Experience of successfully supervising the Fence operation may be considered equivalent to BSc.
- A reliable vehicle and valid driver's license are requirements
- Capable of lifting 50 pounds and dip-netting adult salmon on a routine basis.
- Experience working under and successfully dealing with inclement weather conditions.
- Must be comfortable and feel safe working in and around remote rivers, streams and lakes,

- Proficiency with MS Word and MS Excel and basic data analysis (graphs, charts, descriptive and common inferential statistics)

Desirable Qualifications and Experience:

- Certifications in First Aid Level 1, and Transportation Endorsement, Swift Water Rescue, jet boat operation and Bear Aware training are considered significant assets
- Pleasure Craft Operator Card is an asset
- Experience working with First Nations
- Proficiency with operation and basic maintenance of trucks and boats in remote areas.
- Ability to Navigate to remote work sites by bush road, hiking, wading and boating,
- Proficiency in navigating to work sites using maps, compass and GPS.
- Experience working in areas inhabited by wildlife including black bears, grizzly bears and moose.
- Professional and Acquisition license (PAL) for firearms considered an asset.
- At least one field season of experience collecting standard water quality measurements (e.g. dissolved oxygen, temperature, conductivity, pH, alkalinity, hardness, etc)
- Familiarity with deploying and downloading temperature loggers
- Experience monitoring stream discharge using the standard Area –Velocity method with velocity meters and with floating objects.
- Familiarity with deploying and downloading Level Loggers and Barologgers.

Please send resumes and cover letter to:

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DEADLINE: Friday, March 31, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.