



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

POSITION: Aquatic Invasive Species and Education Program Assistant

OF POSITIONS: 1

START DATE: Monday, May 9th, 2016

END DATE: Friday, September 16th, 2016

HOURS: 40 hours/week

LOCATION: Worksites within the Regional District Central Kootenay and Regional District Kootenay Boundary Area A and B

WAGE: \$15.00-\$18.00 per hour (dependent on skill set and experience) plus 4% holiday pay.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 15th, 2016

INTERVIEWS: April 25th, 2016

SUMMARY OF POSITION

Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society (CKISS) is a non-profit society that was formed by a group of residents and company/agency representatives who were interested in promoting collaborative approaches to invasive species management in 2005. The Society includes representatives from non-profit societies, utility companies, government agencies, and local companies. On behalf of its partner organizations, CKISS delivers an invasive plant program throughout the central Kootenay region, which includes Electoral Areas A through K of the Regional District Central Kootenay and the Regional District Kootenay Boundary.

CKISS program activities include education and awareness; prevention and early detection of new species introductions; coordinated and collaborative management; inventory, control and containment of invasive plants; and applied research.

Work tasks and responsibilities of the Aquatic Invasive Species and Education Program Assistant:

- Assist Education Program Coordinator to deliver education messages to the public and increase awareness about invasive species at community festivals, special events, boat launches, farmers markets, garden centers, school groups and youth, etc.
- Assist Education Program Coordinator with resource and newsletter distribution and development.
- Assist the American Bullfrog Action team with monitoring and management of American bullfrog within the Pend D'Oreille Valley and the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area
- Assist the CKISS Research Program Coordinator with eDNA sampling for American bullfrog

QUALIFICATIONS

The successful candidate should demonstrate, at a minimum, the following:

- Education or related experience with youth education, environmental education and community outreach/engagement
- At least one year of post-secondary education or equivalent diploma in one or more of the following fields: forestry; sustainable resource management; fish, wildlife and recreation;



environmental science; biology; ecology; conservation agricultural science; integrated pest management; GIS; zoology

- Valid BC Driver's License (drivers abstract will be requested from those selected for an interview)
- Candidate must be self-motivated, be able to work as a team, and have excellent communication skills

Preference may be given to those candidates who possess:

- Experience with public speaking, community relations, youth education
- Experience with field work in a variety of conditions
- Backpack electrofishing certification
- Valid Level 1 OFA
- Ability to navigate using maps and GPS units; familiarity with tablets
- Clean criminal record check
- Experience with MS Office software
- Experience with social media

Only candidates being considered for this position will be contacted. Position is subject to funding availability. Please submit your cover letter and resume as a single pdf and ensure that the subject line reads: Aquatics Invasive Species and Education Program Assistant, no later than April 15th, 2016 at 4 pm. Please note resumes and cover letters sent in word or as multiple pdf's will not be accepted.

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