Wildlife Intern Baker City
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Location: Based at the ODFW Baker field office (Baker City, OR); Work to be conducted primarily in Baker County and other nearby locations as needed.

Housing (travel trailer) provided

Duration: July 1, 2015 – ?

Job Description: Primary duties will provide a student intern with on the job training experiences related to wildlife management and operations. The benefit of this position is to recruit, train and provide skills to potential employees seeking careers in wildlife management.

Student will gain the ability to develop and refine academic and professional goals as well as understand the structure and operation of a wildlife area and natural resource agency programs.

Internship experience will help identify academic strengths and weaknesses and enhance opportunities for future professional employment.

Intern will have the opportunity to participate in wildlife management activities, and related wildlife habitat management projects.

Working Duties

1. Assists ODFW-Baker City field office staff (3 full time employees) with wildlife management including:
   - Wildlife population inventories
     - Bighorn sheep, mountain goat, antelope, upland game birds, and wolf.
   - Assist with monitoring of deer, wolf and bighorn sheep GPS collars.
     - Retrieve and assist in determining cause of mortalities
   - Assist staff with dealing with wildlife damage issues
   - (40%)

2. Assists staff with Access and Habitat properties:
• Preventative and corrective maintenance on property borders (fences/gates).
• Sign and repair old signage.
• Pick up and disposes of garbage and litter.
• (10%)

3. Habitat enhancement project maintenance
• Locate existing (historical) cooperative habitat enhancement projects.
• Determine level of repair needed if any
• Spatially map and create final report
• (25 %)

4. Meets the public to provide assistance, information and answer questions (10%).

5. Records and maintains a record of daily activities. (5%)

6. Other duties, opportunities and training as available and assigned to include assisting nearby fisheries staff with inventories and special projects. (10%)

Work Conditions
Frequently works outside during inclement weather (hot, cold, wet), required to work before and after daylight (at times), occasionally required to work on weekends. Overnight stays and camping are sometimes required in remote areas.

Requirements
Applicants must have a valid driver license and an acceptable driving record.

This position requires a flexible work schedule that varies in the number of hours worked on a daily basis, but not necessarily each day, or a work schedule in which the starting and stopping times vary on a daily basis, but not necessarily each day, and does not exceed forty (40) hours in a workweek. Work exceeding 40 hours per week requires prior approval by the supervisor. Dealings with public, local residents and other agency personnel are frequent and a well-developed sense of diplomacy is required.

Questions:
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