



Okanagan Nation Alliance

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Fisheries Technician 3 (Certified) – Upper Columbia Region (Seasonal)

The Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA) is the tribal council for the Syilx Okanagan Nation. The ONA's mandate is to advance, assert, support and preserve the Syilx Okanagan Nation Title and Rights. Further, the ONA is charged with providing members with a forum to discuss and form positions of common concern.

The ONA is currently seeking to employ a certified Fisheries Technician 3 for work in the Upper Columbia Region (Castlegar). The job holder should be comfortable working in a fast-paced, dynamic environment, and have excellent communication and time management skills. The Technician will report to an assigned Biologist.

Key duties and responsibilities may include:

- Conduct biological sampling for species-at-risk, invasive species, and resident recreational species using a variety of techniques
- Environmental monitoring and implementation of in-stream habitat rehabilitation projects
- Operating large vessels (~24') in large lake and fast river environments (including towing of vessel).
- Supervision of field crew including uncertified technicians.
- Maintain and organize equipment as directed
- Data entry and QA/QC
- Other duties as required of this position.

Qualifications and Competencies required:

- Fish and Wildlife Technician Diploma or equivalent with (2) two years of relevant experience.
- Must have the ability to obtain:
 - Med SDV-BS (Small Domestic Vessel – Basic Safety)
 - SVOP (Small Non-pleasure Vessel Operator Proficiency Certificate).
 - First Aid Level 1 with Transportation Endorsement.
 - Electrofishing certification
 - Swift Water Rescue certificate.
 - WHMIS
- CABIN certification an asset
- Driver's license and reliable vehicle a necessity.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Experience in fish capture techniques for various life stages, fish handling, and data management.
- Experience operating and working on boats (~ 24' long)
- Must be comfortable working in and around water and working in all weather conditions.
- Ability to work independently with limited supervision.
- Willingness to work evenings and weekends as required.
- Willingness to travel to work sites and work out of town frequently for up to 10 days at a time.
- Punctuality and reliability are required.
- Knowledge of enumeration techniques and fish identification is desirable.
- Worksite safety regulations must be adhered to at all times, and technicians must demonstrate a good work ethic.
- Preference will be given to qualified applicants of Okanagan Aboriginal ancestry

Term: Seasonal position with up to 40 hours/week ending October 31 2023, with flexible work hours (e.g. some evenings and weekends).

Application Procedures: Interested candidates are invited to send a current resume and covering letter to:

David Leroux, Human Resources Manager
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Email: fishadmin@syilx.org or Fax: 250-707-0166

THE COMPETITION WILL CLOSE MAY 15, 2023.

Thank you for your interest. **No Phone Calls Please.** Only those shortlisted will be contacted.

