**FIELD TECHNICIANS – STREAM HABITAT AND FISH MONITORING**

Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is recruiting field technicians (Scientific Technician 2 positions) to work on the Olympic Peninsula. The work involves stream channel surveys (measuring channel depth, width, erosion, substrate, instream wood, shade, and habitat units), juvenile salmon population estimates using a backpack electrofisher and redd surveys. The field sampling is for the DNR projects *Status and Trends Monitoring of Riparian and Aquatic Habitat in the Olympic Experimental State Forest* ([short project description](http://wadnr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapJournal/index.html?appid=8f4c989210d745c39323d240c1f882f1)) and *Riparian Validation Monitoring in the Olympic Experimental State Forest* ([short project description](file:///%5C%5CDNR%5CDIVISIONS%5CFR_DATA%5Chcp%5Cmonitoring_research%5Ctminkova%5C01_OESF_R%26M%20Program%5C02_RIPARIAN%20MONITORING_implementation%5C32_Implementation%20April%202020-March%202021%5CField%20Techs%5C%28http%3A%5Cwadnr.maps.arcgis.com%5Capps%5CCascade%5Cindex.html%3Fappid%3D78481a7684aa47a9aafc05362ff9a634%29)).

**Duration**: Duration varies by position ranging from two to six months. The start and end dates may be adjusted up to 10 days based on the candidates’ availability.

Position 1 – July 6th – September 30th

Position 2 – July 6th – September 15th

Position 3 – July 15th – September 15th

Position 4 – July 15th – October 15th

Position 5 – July 15th – January 15th

**Required qualifications:** Ability to work in remote locations, navigate and hike steep, rugged terrain off trails, and cope with harsh outdoor conditions such as heavy rain, high or low temperatures, and mosquitoes; ability to drive on forest roads; good work ethic and diligence in collecting and recording scientific data; ability to work in a team.

**Desired qualifications:** Bachelor’s degree in environmental science, fisheries, or related program; knowledge of stream ecology and forest management; experience in environmental sampling; GPS and navigating experience.

**Salary and benefits:** The monthly salary ranges from $2,864-$3,701 depending on candidate’s qualifications and experience. Positions accrue 8 hours sick leave and 8 hours annual leave per month. Medical insurance is only provided for the six-month position, although coverage is provided for all positions for on-the-job injuries.

**Work schedule:** The typical weekly schedule is four 10-hour workdays, however days are often extended to complete field surveys; usually Mon-Thu from 7.00 am to 5.30 pm. 95 percent of the work is in the field, working in a team of 2-5 people.

**Location and Housing:** The positions are stationed is Forks, WA, which means living in the area; housing is not provided by DNR, and finding housing in Forks may be difficult.

**COVID-19:** Weare currently planning to conduct a typical field season following the DNR safety procedures for use of protective equipment, disinfecting, and physical distancing. However, all field activities are contingent on COVID-19 state regulations, and the start date of the positions may be delayed.

If you are interested, please email Kyle Martens at kyle.martens@dnr.wa.gov submitting your resume and explaining why you think you are a good fit for the position and the positions that you would like to be considered for. Please submit your application **by April 25th, 2021.**