

Job Announcement: Amphibian Inventory Field Technician



Dates: May 1 – August 2, 2019

Job Description: The Wyoming Natural Diversity Database is hiring one field technician to assist with a project designed to improve understanding of the distribution of amphibian species of conservation concern in Wyoming. The Amphibian Inventory Field Technician will work with the Amphibian Project Coordinator to perform visual encounter surveys and night-time call surveys for amphibians across Wyoming. Additionally, the technician will assist with deploying acoustic recorders to collect audio of vocalizing amphibians. Surveys will take place in the remote and beautiful sagebrush steppe and grassland habitats of Wyoming's basins and expose technicians to diverse amphibian communities.

Qualifications: Fieldwork will require working a flexible schedule (days and nights) in inclement weather (heat, rain, cold, biting insects). The position is based out of Laramie, Wyoming where housing is provided, however car camping is generally required while working. Candidates should be comfortable travelling and driving extensively throughout the state (including driving at night for amphibian call surveys). Technicians must be able to catch and handle amphibians, and collect accurate data under adverse field conditions. Applicants also need to be comfortable living in a tent with no access to internet or cell phone service for up to a week, work well with others, maintain a positive attitude, and exhibit a strong work ethic. Preference will be given to applicants with experience: 1) Capturing and handling amphibians; 2) identifying amphibians by sight and sound; 3) driving 4x4 vehicles on dirt roads; 4) operating acoustic recorders for amphibians; 5) working varying hours (including late nights) 6) working in inclement weather; 7) living and working in remote locations; 8) working closely with another person for extended periods of time; 9) maintaining field equipment; 10) performing meticulous tasks. A valid US driver's license is also necessary.

Additional Details: Housing in Laramie, field vehicle, research equipment, and some camping gear will be provided.

To Apply: Please submit your **cover letter, resume or CV**, and **3 references** to Katrina Cook (kwoods3@uwyo.edu).

Application deadline is March 15, 2019.

The Wyoming Natural Diversity Database (www.uwyo.edu/wyndd/) is the state natural heritage program and is an equal opportunity employer. We collect and disseminate information about the distribution and abundance of sensitive species and communities across Wyoming.