



## **WILDLIFE SPECIALIST**

**“Ranid Frogs Project Specialist 2”**

**WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DIV / TERRESTRIAL WILDLIFE BRANCH / PHOENIX, AZ BASED**

**FLSA –Exempt / GRADE 21 / SALARY RANGE \$43,981-\$79,200**

**REQUISITION #510360 / CLOSING DATE: 08/15/2022**

The mission of the Arizona Game & Fish Department is to conserve and protect Arizona’s diverse wildlife resources and manage for safe, compatible outdoor recreation opportunities for current and future generations. It is our vision to be the national conservation leader supporting the continuation of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation and Arizona’s most trusted, respected and credible source for wildlife conservation products, services and information.

**Description of Duties:** The Ranid Frogs Project Specialist 2 in the Department’s Amphibians and Reptiles Program will be responsible for coordinating and conducting field work associated with leopard frog conservation and management. Specific duties will include: implementing protocol monitoring surveys, invasive species control methods, habitat improvements, and translocations with a variety of external partners for recovery of the Chiricahua leopard frog in Arizona’s White Mountains and Mogollon Rim; coordinating meetings with diverse partners, including private landowners, researchers, and agency biologists to share findings and develop management strategies; advising outside groups, agencies, and the public in matters relating to wildlife and habitat conservation, especially pertaining to amphibians and reptiles; implementing conservation projects for native aquatic species; managing and analyzing survey data in a long-term database and ArcGIS; writing reports and publications; and leading interns in the field and office work.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:** The candidate must have knowledge of wildlife management techniques, habitat management and restoration principles, and conservation issues particular to amphibians and reptiles, as well as an understanding of environmental legislation and policies pertinent to conservation and management wildlife and their habitats, including the Endangered Species Act and National Environmental Policy Act.

The candidate must be skilled in collecting, managing, analyzing, and interpreting data using spreadsheets, databases, statistical software, and ArcGIS and experienced in implementing standardized survey, sampling, and research principles for amphibians and reptiles, as well in identifying herpetofauna species.

Candidates must be able to apply problem-solving skills, develop positive and effective interpersonal relationships within and outside of the work unit, communicate both oral and

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written form to a wide variety of internal and external customers, work alone or with a partner in remote, desert or high elevation field conditions. Candidates must be able to work irregular hours sometimes including weekends, holidays, and at night, and work outdoors in extreme and isolated conditions.

The candidate must have a Bachelor's degree in a wildlife science or a closely related field from an accredited college or university and field work experience. The preferred candidate will have a Master's degree in wildlife science.

Employment is contingent upon completion of a post-offer medical/physical examination and the agency's ability to reasonably accommodate any restrictions. Position requires possession of and the ability to retain a current, valid state-issued driver's license appropriate to the assignment. Employees who drive on state business are subject to driver's license record checks, must maintain acceptable driving records, and must complete any required driver training (see Arizona Administrative Code R2-10-207.12.).

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