JOB OPENING
ECOLOGIST - #620

Responsibilities: oversee fisheries and lake management programs of the District including but not limited to management of game and non-game fish populations, associated aquatic species habitat, invasive species, water quality, aquatic weed control and associated stocking; conducts applied research, inventory, and cataloging of aquatic flora and fauna; assist in the preparation of natural resource management plans, environmental impact statements, assessments, and correspondence relating to aquatic habitats; perform research, collect data, develop programs, and make recommendations for potential or necessary species control or enhancement programs on District properties; coordinate activities with local, state, and federal agencies; assist on prescription burns and perform post-burn evaluations; develop, compose, arrange, and present informational reports and educational materials relating to fisheries and lake management to District Commissioners, staff, and the general public; perform other duties as assigned.

Requires: BS in Fisheries Management, or a related biological sciences field, and two (2) years experience in fishery management; or equivalent combination of training and experience; possession of a valid driver’s license; ability to complete and pass Midwest Ecological Prescription Burn Crew Member Training or equivalent within one (1) year of employment; ability to obtain an Illinois Department of Agriculture Pesticide Operator’s License within six (6) months of employment.

Preferred Candidate: will have previous experience with aquatic invertebrate ecology and other associated wildlife; aquaria operation and management experience; limnological and bathymetric survey experience; knowledge of lentic and lotic systems and survey methods; demonstrated skill set in the identification of native fish species; demonstrated skill in boat and motor operation and fish sampling assessment protocol including use of electroshocking equipment; demonstrated mechanical/technical experience; ability to operate vehicles off-road; prior experience with natural resources management or related field.

DATE POSTED: March 29, 2013
WORKSITE LOCATION: Danada Headquarters, Wheaton
HOURS & SCHEDULE: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday; schedule may include some early mornings, late nights and weekends
HIRING SALARY: $39,056 - $49,507
APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 11, 2013
VACANCY IN: Natural Resources
HUMAN RESOURCES CONTACT: Christina Watson

COMMENTS: -- (Special requirements, uniforms, etc.)
Uniforms provided; safety boot allowance; post-offer drug test may be required.

APPLY AT: 3S580 Naperville Rd. or online: Click Here - #13-0076
Wheaton, IL 60189 (please see job board for application*)

*Applications must be filled out to their entirety, including the electronic signature, to be considered for this position. Resumes may be included but are not accepted in lieu of the application.

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