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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Seasonal Assistants (seven) for Special Field Projects

Closing date: Applications will be accepted until all positions are filled.

CIAA has seven (7) openings for Seasonal Assistants working under the Special Field Projects program. CIAA will provide accommodations and food for the length of employment. The employee is responsible for all travel costs associated with getting to Kenai, Alaska. If flying, CIAA recommends purchasing flexible tickets since length of employment is dependent on strength of returns and weather conditions.

Job description:

These are full-time, temporary, non-exempt positions working under the direction of the Biologist.

- Session 1: Tustumena Lake smolt enumeration and Delight Lake adult monitoring
 - Two (2) Seasonal Assistants, May 13–August 3
 - This two-person crew will start the season at Kasilof River (Tustumena Lake) monitoring the outmigration of salmon smolt using an inclined plane trap. Smolt are identified to species and sampled for a variety of biological data (familiarity with AWL procedures is a plus). Often requires staff to work nights.
 - This crew will then move to Delight Lake, a remote location, to monitor the adult salmon return and take samples.
 - Depending on performance and availability there may be opportunities for hatchery work following the completion of this project.
- Session 2: Hidden Lake smolt/adult monitoring
 - Two (2) Seasonal Assistants, May 13–September 14
 - This two-person crew will enumerate and sample the migrating sockeye and coho salmon smolts and adult sockeye salmon return from/to Hidden Lake. They will also assist with data entry and scale reading and may assist with the egg collection at Hidden Lake.
 - Depending on performance and availability there may be opportunities for hatchery work following the completion of this project.
- Session 3: Whiskey/Hewitt Lakes northern pike harvest
 - One (1) Seasonal Assistant, May 13–September 14
 - This Seasonal Assistant position will work with an intern under a grant-funded project to harvest invasive northern pike from Whiskey/Hewitt Lakes in the Susitna watershed.
 - Depending on performance and availability there may be opportunities for hatchery work following the completion of this project.
- Session 4: Kirschner Lake smolt enumeration
 - Two (2) Seasonal Assistants, May 13–July 25
 - This two-person crew will enumerate and sample the migrating sockeye smolt from Kirschner Lake (remote location on the west side of Cook Inlet).
 - Smolt are sampled for a variety of biological data (familiarity with AWL procedures is a plus). Often requires staff to work nights.
 - The final scheduled two weeks will be spent assisting on various projects around Cook Inlet.
 - Depending on performance and availability there may be opportunities for hatchery work following the completion of this project.

Qualifications:

Candidates must have or be working toward, a degree in natural sciences or a closely-related field and have a current wilderness first Aid/CPR certification. Candidates need to be able to self-motivated and communicate clearly with other staff and members of the public. Candidates must be physically able to lift up to 50 lbs. and safely walk in fast

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moving water. Candidates should have the ability to live and work outdoors safely and experience in small boat operation is required. If you believe you meet the qualifications and you are looking for a fun, challenging, and rewarding job in a stunning location in Alaska, then CIAA encourages you to apply. CIAA is an equal opportunity employer.

Compensation:

\$13.00 per hour, overtime eligible. Returning seasonal assistants may be eligible for a pay increase. There are no holiday, vacation, or medical leave benefits.

Contact:

Applicants may direct questions and/or submit cover letter, resume, and three professional references to:

Andy Wizik, Biologist

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In your cover letter, specify the session or sessions (listed above) you wish to be considered for.