



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

La Crosse Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office

Permanent Position Outreach Notice

Fish Biologist (Modeler) GS-12, Full Performance 12

Department of Interior - Region 3
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Great Lakes Region
La Crosse Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office
Onalaska, Wisconsin 54650

The La Crosse Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office (LFWCO) will be advertised for a 0482 series Fisheries Biologist Modeler position on USA Jobs. This announcement will be for a permanent 482 position at the GS-12 level with a full performance level of GS-12. This announcement will be open using the STEM Direct Hiring Authority (DHA). This announcement will be open for 14 days from April 19 – May 2, please prepare your materials in advance and be ready so you can apply immediately when the announcement is released.

This position will serve as a modeler working within the Mississippi River Basin. The selected applicant will develop, maintain, and apply fish population and community models to evaluate fish community dynamics with the goal of informing management decisions to increase the sustainability of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basin Fisheries. This position will also serve as a technical expert in statistical modeling of fish populations that will be used to evaluate control techniques for established populations of invasive species. The selected applicant will also supervise lower graded AIS staff. Knowledge and experience with fisheries and aquatic ecological principles, sampling methodologies, mathematical principals, concepts and theories in data driven decision making to independently apply appropriate statistical analysis and develop analytical models to inform decisions.

The LFWCO is co-located with the Midwest Fisheries Center in Onalaska, WI. Onalaska is located in western Wisconsin along the Mississippi River. Onalaska is just north of La Crosse, WI which is home to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, Viterbo University and Western Technical College. Downtown La Crosse has numerous arts and cultural opportunities including theater, museums, symphony, and concerts. An active lifestyle is within easy reach with access to hiking, paddling and fishing biologically rich rivers and streams, to hunting public lands. Onalaska and the surrounding communities in western Wisconsin are a few short hours from larger metropolitan areas such as Minneapolis (2.5 hours), Madison (2 hours), and Chicago (4 hours). Cost of living is reasonable in Onalaska with a growing real estate market and many housing options. There is a top notch healthcare system (Mayo and Gunderson) and excellent public schools.

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