

Seasonal Wildlife Biologist-Grizzly Bear

Location: Bonners Ferry, ID

Application Period: May 12, 2022 – May 22, 2022

Employment Type: Temporary/Seasonal/Part Time

Salary: \$26.33 per hour, Plus Competitive Benefits!

Employment Dates: June 1, 2022 – November 30, 2022

About the Position:

The Department of Fish and Game is currently recruiting for a 6-month benefitted Wildlife Biologist position. The successful candidate will assist in the development and implementation of a grizzly bear management program aimed at providing education and outreach, conflict prevention, and population monitoring in the Panhandle Region.

General Information:

This position will be located in Bonners Ferry. The applicant must expect and be willing to hike and work in grizzly bear habitat. Applicant must be committed to the entire work period. Optional housing is available.

Responsibilities:

Wildlife Biologists may be required to ride in single engine airplanes and helicopters. These positions may involve walking for several hours in challenging and adverse terrain and weather conditions, handling unsedated wildlife animals, lifting and carrying up to 65 lbs. The work schedule may include some long workdays, over-night stays, and weekend work.

Other responsibilities include:

- Working with landowners, recreationists, and others to implement measures designed to prevent grizzly bear conflicts.
- Respond to complaints concerning grizzly bear conflicts and collaborate with regional staff to perform conflict and depredation mitigation measures.
- Conduct outreach and education programs.
- Conduct grizzly bear capture and monitoring when necessary.
- Represent the Department at state, federal, and local meetings.
- Write reports and help manage budgets.
- Collect data and manage electronic databases.

Qualifications:

Typically met with a Master's degree in Wildlife, Biology, Environmental Resources; Bachelor's degree in Wildlife, Biology, Environmental Resources plus 2 years of experience; or equivalent in training or experience. Preferred candidates will have prior experience working in bear country (preferably grizzly bear) and working with large carnivores.

- Valid driver's license.

- Physical ability to engage in strenuous work for extended periods of time including work in adverse weather conditions and lifting and carrying heavy loads.
- Ability to follow instructions, complete assignments, and operate with little direct supervision.
- Ability to work effectively with others
- Operate a four-wheel drive truck and pull trailers on gravel and dirt roads.
- Ability to record, summarize or analyze biological data.
- Experience with radio-tracking wildlife, operate 2-way radio communications, use of a satellite communication device, trail camera experience, use of bear spray, and operation of GPS.

Applicants will be given additional consideration if they have:

- Experience with wildlife handling; including chemical immobilization.
- Familiarity of supervisory practices.
- Experience with conflict management and mitigation.
- Experience interacting with the general public, private landowners, sportsmen, other agency personnel regarding wildlife management.

How to apply:

1. Applicants must first register with Idaho Department of Labor (Reference Job Number 1704783 at <https://labor.idaho.gov>.)
2. Complete an IDFG Application for Temporary Employment (see link below)
3. Submit a cover letter, a resume, three professional or academic references, and a completed IDFG Application for Temporary Employment via email (preferred) or by mail to:

Idaho Department of Fish and Game
Attention: Barb Moore
2885 W. Kathleen Ave.
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

barb.moore@idfg.idaho.gov

Additional Comments: EEO/Veteran's Preference

URL: <https://idfg.idaho.gov/jobs/application-temporary>

Contact: Barb Moore

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