

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Position Available: Field Technician - Water Chemistry/Habitat Technician (2 positions available)

Work Location: MBI is located in Hilliard, Ohio, just west of Columbus. Projects include stream and river surveys in Ohio, the greater Midwest, and other states as necessary, or the US EPA National Rivers and Streams Assessment survey in New England, and other states as necessary.

Project Description: Biological assessment of rivers and streams using standardized sampling methods; qualitative and quantitative habitat assessments; field measured water quality parameters, aquatic macroinvertebrate collection, benthic chlorophyll-*a* collection, and water sample collection. Includes extended overnight travel (up to 30 consecutive days), with all work-related travel costs, including lodging and meals, covered by MBI.

Position Description: Work as a member of a 2-4 person field crew in lotic systems located in urban and rural areas across the Midwest and/or Northeast. Includes sampling, data recording, and equipment calibration/operation and maintenance tasks under the direction of the crew leader. Data collection includes, but is not limited to, water grab samples, datasonde deployment/ retrieval, benthic chlorophyll-*a*, sediment collection using a dredge or other method, aquatic macroinvertebrates, and habitat. Crew members will also "fill in" with other crews (fish, macroinvertebrate and/or habitat) on an 'as-needed' basis. Employment with MBI is "at will".

MBI implements and requires adherence to COVID-19 protocols recommended by the CDC and local health departments.

Baseline Skills Required:

- Ability to perform supervised field sampling.
- Must maintain a variable work schedule including irregular hours, overtime hours, and extended overnight travel including consecutive weekends.
- Ability to maintain work in hot weather under physically strenuous conditions.
- Ability to work effectively as part of a team on a day-to-day basis is a must.
- Experience working on or around water and with small watercraft is desirable.

Salary: \$14.00 - \$16.00/hr. based on level of education, work experience, and overall qualifications.

Other Requirements: Valid driver's license, good driving record, and proof of insurance.

Period of Employment: All or parts of June through October 2023.

*Please note: we are only accepting applicants who are available for the full work term.

To Apply: Visit our website at <u>www.midwestbiodiversityinst.org</u>, click on the About tab, scroll down to and click on Employment, and follow the steps. Questions? Contact Allison Boehler by phone at (614) 457-6000 x1000.