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Subject:

Seasonal wetland ecology field technician positions - Colorado, statewide

TITLE: Wetland Ecology Field Technicians -Research Associate I/II – Open Pool (temporary)

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 6 in total

WORK LOCATIONS: Statewide Colorado

PAY RATE: \$2,400 – \$3,200/month plus per diem. Health insurance provided.

DURATION: 3 to 8+ months (1 position March – Oct+; 5 positions May/June – Aug)

The Colorado Natural Heritage Program (CNHP) of Colorado State University seeks experienced field technicians for summer field projects in wetland ecology. Successful applicants will have the opportunity to enhance their field skills working within a variety of wetlands types across the State of Colorado. Standard duties will involve planning logistics for multi-day field sessions; driving and hiking to field sites; identifying wetland plants both in and out of the field; extensive collection of vegetation, water, soil, and other environmental data; detailed completion of field survey forms; and landowner communication. The position involves extensive travel, camping and potential backpacking, and long field days (10+ hours). Field schedule will usually consist of eight 10-hour days per two-week session, although specific hours and days worked are subject to change to accommodate land owner requests and variable weather conditions. Work vehicles are provided, as are accommodations during field work. Per diem is provided when camping or when remote lodging is required. All positions require experience with field botany, field ecology, and/or soil sampling. Experience in wetland ecology and knowledge of the Rocky Mountains is preferred. A valid driver's license for travel between sites is required, as is the ability to hike and navigate to wetlands. Technicians will provide their own hiking and camping gear and personal field equipment (backpacks, rubber boots, waders, etc.).

Field technicians will be hired for one of two field teams. Four (4) technicians will be hired to spend the summer sampling Colorado wetlands as part of EPA's National Wetland Condition Assessment (NWCA). Two (2) additional technicians will be hired to split the summer between monitoring wetlands in Great Sand Dunes National Park and sampling fen wetlands along state highways throughout southwestern Colorado.

Full position description and application instructions available

 $\underline{\text{at: } \underline{\text{http://www.cnhp.colostate.edu/download/documents/jobs/CNHP\%20Wetland\%20Ecology\%20Announcement\%202016.pdf}}$

Applicants should apply through the Colorado State University HR website at:

https://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/30897

First consideration of applicants will begin February 26, 2016. Applications will continue to be accepted until all positions are filled or until July 31, 2016, whichever comes first.

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