Wildlife Field Technician I
Waterbird Investigations & Management Project

North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission Wildlife Diversity Program

Job Description: This position will assist the Wildlife Diversity Biologist (coastal waterbirds) with posting and protection of waterbird nesting habitats; preparation for and conducting standardized surveys of shorebirds and colonial waterbirds; operation and maintenance of boats; data recording and entry into online databases; maintenance and repair of supplies and equipment; assistance with volunteer coordination; assistance with all aspects of waterbird meetings; data and literature searches; and other duties as they arise. The position requires frequent travel and overnight stays. Primary responsibility will be central to southern sites of North Carolina. Duty station will be a home office, ideally located in New Bern or a nearby coastal county.

Compensation: Will depend on education and experience. Housing is not provided. During travel for field work, a vehicle will be provided, lodging for work related travel will be paid, and subsistence will be provided according to the State of North Carolina policies for employees.

Qualifications: An Associate’s degree in Wildlife Ecology, Management, or Biology; Ecology; Zoology; Marine Biology; or similar field is required; a Bachelor’s degree is desired. Knowledge of coastal birds and habitats, and good bird identification skills. Experience operating outboard motor boats in tidal waters, loading boats onto trailers, and driving a 4WD truck with trailer. Care and maintenance of field supplies and equipment (e.g., boat, boat engine, trailer, tripod, scope, binoculars, etc.). Ability to walk several miles a day and carry equipment or supplies weighing ≥30 lbs. Ability to travel overnight to field sites. Knowledge of Microsoft Office and GIS software. Very good organizational skills. Conscientious data entry and management. Very good interpersonal skills as we work with many partners, volunteers, and members of the public.

Duration: 11 months; begin January 2020.

Contact: To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references in a single PDF to:

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Deadline: December 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM eastern