



Okanagan Nation Alliance

101 – 3535 Old Okanagan Hwy, Westbank, BC V4T 3L7

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Biologist 2 - Habitat

The Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA) is the Tribal Council for the Syilx Okanagan Nation. The ONA’s mandate is to advance, assert, support and preserve the Syilx Okanagan Nation title and rights. Further, the ONA is charged with providing members with a forum to discuss and form positions of common concern.

The ONA is currently seeking to employ a Biologist 2 within their Fisheries department to undertake duties associated with fisheries projects in the Okanagan Basin. The successful applicant should be comfortable working in a fast-paced, dynamic, results based environment and have excellent problem solving, communication, supervision, time management, and safety management skills.

Key duties and responsibilities include:

- Coordinate and implement fisheries projects within and between larger initiatives. Projects will include:

Lake and stream water quality sampling	Spawner, fry and smolt enumerations and biological sampling
Sockeye broodstock and egg collection	Habitat assessments

- Supervision and training of field crews
- Monitor and assess fish and aquatic issues in the Okanagan Basin
- Identify and assist in development of potential fisheries proposals and projects
- Data entry and management in Microsoft Excel and Word
- Preparation and review of scientific technical reports
- Other duties as required of this position.

Qualifications and Experience

- Bachelor of Science degree in natural resources related field plus three (3) years supervisory and related work experience within fisheries and habitat or other relevant field, or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Experience coordinating large initiatives / projects is required
- Experience with fisheries scientific sampling theory and techniques is required e.g. fisheries stock assessments
- Experience in technical writing
- Experience in project management including development of work plans, reporting and budgets, presenting at conferences/workshops, field work.
- Demonstrated experience with computer software such as Excel, GIS software for data analysis.
- Previous experience working with a First Nation band or within a First Nations environment is desirable.
- Must be comfortable and feel safe conducting physical work in and around water in all weather conditions.
- BC Class 5 Drivers’ License (or equivalent).
- Occupational First Aid Level 1 and Swift Water Rescue certification, Pleasure Craft Operators Card and other applicable safety training are assets.
- Aboriginal ancestry preferred.

Term: Part-time 22.5 hours per week, with ability to work up to Full-time hours depending on projects and funding.

Wage Range: \$25.95/hr to \$35.11/hr depending on relevant education and experience.

Application Procedures: Interested candidates are invited to send a current resumé and covering letter to:

Human Resources
Okanagan Nation Alliance
101- 3535 Old Okanagan Hwy

Westbank, BC V4T 3L7

Email: Fishadmin@syilx.org Fax: (250) 707-0166

Thank you for your interest. **No Phone Calls Please.** Only those shortlisted will be contacted.

Competition open until filled.

