



District Wildlife (Pendleton) Intern
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Job Number 14

Location: Umatilla Wildlife District Pendleton, OR
Housing is not provided

Pay Range: \$19.77 - \$22.23 per hour

Note: this position will receive a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) increase of 2.5% which is not reflected in the salary listed in this posting. The effective date of the increase is February 1, 2026.

Duration: Not to exceed 400 hours (June 2026- August 2026)

Job Description: Primary duties will provide a student intern with on-the-job training experiences related wildlife management within the Umatilla wildlife district. The benefit of this position is to recruit and train potential employees seeking careers in wildlife and habitat management. Interns are expected to gain the ability to develop and refine academic and professional goals as well as understand the structure and operation of a natural resource agency.

Work will occur on public lands (BLM, USFS) and private property within Umatilla County

Duties:

Umatilla Wildlife District

Wildlife Monitoring: 75%

- Assists with wildlife damage complaints
- Assists with livestock investigations where wolves are suspected to be involved
- Assists with upland bird surveys (quail, turkey, grouse, pheasant)
- Assists with wolf population monitoring through deployment of trail cameras in areas of Known Wolf Activity
- Assists with elk population monitoring through deployment of trail cameras using standardized sampling methods in Mt. Emily Unit

Other District Duties: 10%

- Assists with data entry
- Creating maps via ArcGIS

- Collect, prepare and submit biological samples to Wildlife Health Lab

Habitat Projects: 15%

- Posts road closure signs throughout Umatilla National Forest Travel Management Area
- Captures and bands waterfowl, doves, and other water birds
- Completes waterfowl and other bird surveys
- Completes rangeland vegetation surveys
- Wildlife forage plots – planting, maintenance and irrigation of plantings and crops
- Noxious weed control - utilizing mechanical means (tractors, weed eaters, chainsaws, other hand tools)
- Monitors/adjusts water levels in wetland units for habitat conditions
- Maintains wetland vegetation with tractor operation and implements (mowing, disking and/or plowing)

Work Conditions: Frequently works independently outside during inclement weather, may be required to work before and after daylight. Occasionally required to work on weekends. Contact with the public and other agency personnel are frequent and a well-developed sense of diplomacy and ability to interact in a professional manner is essential.

This position requires a flexible work schedule that varies in the number of hours worked on a daily basis, but not necessarily each day, or a work schedule in which the starting and stopping times vary on a daily basis, but not necessarily each day, and does not exceed forty (40) hours in a workweek. Work exceeding 40 hours per week requires prior approval by the supervisor.