



West Region District Management Intern
(Sauvie Island - Summer)
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Job Number 15

Location: Based out of the Sauvie Island ODFW office; Work to be conducted in Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas, Columbia, Yamhill, Polk, and Marion counties. Housing may be provided contingent on need and availability.

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 between June 2026 - August 2026

Job Description: This position will provide a student intern with on-the-job training experiences related to wildlife management. The selected intern will assist with education and outreach on wildlife topics, surveys for a variety of wildlife species, and will be involved in wildlife population monitoring, disease surveillance, and addressing human-wildlife conflict. The intern is expected to gain the ability to develop and refine academic and professional goals and understand the structure and operation of a natural resource agency. The intern will have the opportunity to participate in wildlife research and data collection used to guide wildlife management decisions, outreach and education on wildlife ecology and management, and wildlife habitat improvement projects. The successful applicant will have the opportunity to work and interact with the public on behalf of the state of Oregon, collect data using standardized survey protocols, learn about and conduct data analysis, gain experience with research design, and develop technical writing skills.

Duties:

Coordinate the Mourning Dove capture and banding project (25%)

- Capture planning, logistics, and implementation
- Contact landowners to acquire access for trapping
- Place and monitor bait sites
- Record, summarize, and manage data

- Write end of season summary report

Assist with conducting surveys of wildlife populations (25%)

- Band-tailed Pigeon surveys
- Lower Columbia River goose capture and banding
- Deployment of bat monitoring equipment
- Assist with duck banding
- Assist with camera deployment and monitoring for big game.
- Assist with large carnivore mortality sampling
- Participate in annual bio-blitz for conservation strategy species
- Northwestern Pond Turtle trapping
- Purple Martin scout surveys
- Western Gray Squirrel monitoring

Assist with implementation of district programs (25%)

- Biological sampling of wildlife for various programs
- Data organization and quality control
- Falconry mews inspections and capture permits
- Wildlife rehabilitation program-facility inspections, transport of animals
- Cervid facility and wildlife holding permit facility inspections

Assist in addressing wildlife conflicts (15%)

- Contact the public who report wildlife conflicts
- Enter complaints into damage database
- Accompany staff in the field on damage inspections

Assist with miscellaneous duties as necessary (10%)

- Give presentations to sporting groups or landowner groups
- Maintenance of wildlife equipment and vehicles
- Data management
- Assist with wildlife habitat improvement projects

Helpful Skills:

Experience with basic hand and electric tools, hiking/backpacking in remote areas, using a variety of navigation options, and Microsoft office.

Working Conditions:

Frequently work outside during inclement weather and may be required to work before and after daylight hours. Occasionally required to work on weekends. Employee may work independently while driving long hours during potentially adverse weather conditions. 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.