



Position: Specialist, Water Management
Department: Conservation (based in Edmonton Office)
Reporting to: Director, Mackenzie River Basin

Status: Contract position
Duration: This is a full-time, one-year contract position starting in November 2007, with benefits and with a possibility of renewal.

Posting Date: October 1, 2007
Closing Date: October 15, 2007

About WWF

WWF, the global conservation organization, is one of the world's largest and most respected independent conservation organizations. WWF has a global network active in over 100 countries with almost 5 million supporters.

WWF's mission is to stop the degradation of the earth's natural environment and to build a future in which humans live in harmony with nature, by conserving the world's biological diversity, ensuring that the use of renewable natural resources is sustainable, and promoting the reduction of pollution and wasteful consumption

WWF-Canada has a history of tremendous accomplishment, currently focusing on preventing dangerous climate change, as well as investing in long-term conservation efforts in Canada's Grand Banks, the Pacific Coast, the Mackenzie Valley in the north, and is the only international environmental organization operating in Cuba. This is an exciting period at WWF-Canada.

About this Role

WWF-Canada is looking for an enthusiastic and industrious individual with technical knowledge in water management or aquatic ecology and project management skills to address freshwater conservation issues throughout the region. The successful candidate will work in a fast-paced, results-oriented environment, developing conservation actions to protect the aquatic environment of the Mackenzie River Basin (MRB) from the impacts of major industrial development projects such as the Alberta oil sands.

Key Responsibilities:

- Identifying and tracking freshwater conservation issues in the region, and building WWF's "case" for specific policy and management interventions
- Networking with other conservation organizations and experts at local, regional, and national levels to develop knowledge and alliances, gathering and sharing knowledge and lessons learned from relevant field level programs, advocacy experience and scientific research.
- Helping the Regional Director design and implement conservation partnerships with conservation organizations, communities, businesses and governments to advance conservation goals.
- Help the Regional Director and conservation advancement staff develop fundraising proposals and donor stewardship related to MRB freshwater project.

Qualifications:

- Masters degree or equivalent with a concentration in fresh water ecology, water management or a related field.
- One to two years experience working in water management or the management of environmental impacts to aquatic systems.
- Previous not-for-profit experience, an asset.

Skills and Abilities required:

- Knowledge of, or demonstrated interest in, Canadian conservation issues.
- Familiarity with current threats to the rivers of Alberta and the NWT.
- Strong written and oral communications skills.
- Excellent planning and multi-tasking skills.
- Proven ability to set priorities, complete work with minimal supervision and meet deadlines.
- Ability to work on a multitude of projects at the same time without compromising quality or efficiency.
- Experience designing and supervising research projects.

How to Apply:

A resume and cover letter referencing the position and including salary expectations should be directed to ca-jobs@wwfcanada.org by October 15, 2007.

No phone calls please. We thank all applicants for their interest however due to the number of applications received we may contact only those applicants selected for interviews.

WWF-Canada is an equal opportunity employer. We welcome diversity in the workplace and encourage applications from all qualified candidates including women, members of visible minorities, persons with disabilities, and aboriginal peoples (WWF-Canada is the only certified NGO under the Canadian Council of Aboriginal Business's Progressive Aboriginal Relations (PAR) program).