TITLE: Bat Community Assessment Field Technician

REGION: Northeast and Northwest Missouri

LOCATION: Kirksville, Missouri

START DATE: May 16, 2016

END DATE: August 15, 2016

PAY RATE: $10.83/hour (40hrs/week)

DUTIES: The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) has an opening for two (2) full-time (40 hours/week) field technicians to work on a project focused on assessing Indiana bat maternity colonies in areas of forest management activities. Primary responsibilities will include: conducting field work (thermal image photography, deployment of bat detectors, limited mist netting and telemetry), coordinating and maintaining equipment, and data entry and quality control.

General Responsibilities Include:
1) Conducting field sampling activities (thermal photography, utilizing bat detectors, truck and trailer driving, operating ATVs in rugged conditions, using GPS)
2) Coordinating and maintaining equipment
3) Carrying 50+ lbs. of equipment over uneven terrain for long distances
4) Data entry, quality control, and archiving using Excel and Access
5) Identification of recorded bat call sequences, limited mist-netting and telemetry

Basic Qualifications:
• B.S. in natural resources, wildlife biology, or related field
• Willingness and ability to travel throughout the study area (northern Missouri)
• Must pass a pre-employment drug screen

Preferred Qualifications:
• At least 1 season of field experience
• Experience with GPS
• Experience towing trailers
• ATV safety certified
• Strong communication and teamwork skills
• Flexible and adaptable personality
• Experience working in rural settings

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