LAND USE TECHNICIAN

Position will be located in the area of Springfield, Illinois.

The Illinois Natural History Survey, a division of the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois is seeking applicants to Compile, identify, and interpret all relevant land use information into a concise data format to be incorporated into the current owned, management, and leased properties (OMLP) geodatabase. Coordinate all logistics for visits with the site superintendents and/or site technicians at each of the 300+ IDNR sites to obtain updated land use and asset inventory information at each site. Duties will include:

- Research existing land use information from various sources (Hunter Fact Sheets, IDNR Parks and Recreation information, Illinois Digest of Hunting and Trapping Regulations, etc.)
- Coordinate and contact the relevant field people from IDNR Division of Lands (site superintendents or site technicians) to set up site visits
- Set up all logistics for site visits such as preparing maps for each site prior to visit, arranging site visit order and # of sites per visit, car, lodging, etc.
- Facilitate meetings with the site superintendents/site technicians
- Collect necessary information at site visits – recreational assets (trailheads, equestrian areas, swimming areas, wildlife viewing, fishing areas, hunting areas, playgrounds, etc.) and physical assets (buildings, docks, signs, pump stations, sewage treatment, etc.)
- Create database layers and digitize information into the existing OMLP geodatabase (spatial and tabular information)
- Facilitate implementation and access of newly collected information into the recording process for the project
- Supervise additional staff and hourlies who will be helping with this objective for the project
- Establish and maintain good working relationships with collaborators and agency associates

Respond to questions and special information requests from partners and cooperators

Qualifications: B.A. or B.S. in environmental studies, geography, geology, natural resources, ecology, wildlife management or related field

Preferred duration: May 16, 2016 through June 30, 2016 with possibility of extension.

Rate of pay: 40 hours per week at $24.00/hour

The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer.

Application deadline is May 6, 2016, but position will remain open until filled. Applications will be reviewed as they are received and suitable applicants may be contacted for interviews prior to the application deadline. Electronic applications required, please send a cover letter explaining your interest and qualifications, resume’ or CV, and names and contact information (including phone
numbers and email addresses) of 2 professional references to: hroffice@inhs.uiuc.edu. IMPORTANT!
Please reference “TWEDDALE LAND USE” in the subject line of the email. For hiring questions, please
contact Erica Hanson at elhanson@illinois.edu. Direct technical questions to Tari Tweddale at
tweicher@illinois.edu.

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