Natural Resources, Department of

Water Quality Biologist

Job Announcement Code: 1601105

County(ies):  *statewide
Classification Title(s)/JAC:  WATER RESOURCES MGT SPEC-SENIOR - 1601105
Job Working Title(s):  Water Quality Biologist
Type of Employment:  Full Time (40 hrs/week)
Salary:  The salary the advertised positions ranges from $35,505 - $73,840 per year depending upon experience and qualifications. These positions are in pay schedule/range 15-04 (entry/pay $17.07-$23.49) and 15-03 (Senior & Adv pay $22.47- $35.50), This position includes an excellent benefits package, including health care and retirement. A six-month probationary period may be required.

Contact:  Dionne Boedeker, Human Resources Specialist - Senior, 608-266-6831, DionneL.Boedeker@wisconsin.gov

Bargaining Unit:  Non-Represented
Area of Competition:  Open
Deadline to Apply:  5/1/2016

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is recognized as a national leader in the protection of water resources. We are currently seeking experienced water resources management specialists to fill multiple positions in the Bureau of Water Quality. The current vacancy is for a Water Quality Biologist located in Black River Falls or Lacrosse, WI. Well qualified candidates will have a degree in a water related field and relevant experience. Further screening for positions may occur and will be specific to vacancies as they occur. **This recruitment may be used to fill additional positions in other locations for a minimum of six months and could be used to fill vacancies at the Entry, Senior or Advanced levels. If you are interested in these positions you should apply now.**

**Job Duties:**  This position is responsible for conducting chemical, biological, and physical monitoring to characterize waters in an assigned portion of the District. The position manages the data and interprets, assesses, and summarizes results for reports, databases, websites, etc.

**Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:**  1. Knowledge of principles of water chemistry, fish & plant taxonomy, hydrology, aquatic habitat, and quality assurance of data collection 2. Skill in map reading and GIS field applications 3. Skill in the use of personal computers,
including word processing, spreadsheets and databases. 4. Skill in technical writing and other communication with technical and popular audiences. 5. Knowledge of aquatic organism taxonomy. 6. Skill in the operation of boats, trailers and a wide variety of and automated monitoring equipment (including electrofishing equipment), field GPS equipment, Arc View software and databases. 7. Ability to develop monitoring plans and conduct investigations with multidisciplinary teams. 8. Ability to interpret aquatic monitoring data.

**How To Apply:**  Click [HERE to Apply](#)

Preview the exam by clicking the **Preview Exam** link at the top of this page. Your responses to the questions in the exam form the basis for your application and will be used to determine your eligibility for this position. Please prepare your responses in a word processing document as the system will "time-out" after 20 minutes and your answers may not be saved. Cut & paste your answers as instructed below. Also, please follow the instructions below to attach a current resume to your application. Once you have completed your responses to the examination, follow the steps below:

- **Step 1:** If you have not already done so, you will need to create an account.
- **Step 2:** After you are logged in and are viewing the announcement, click "Apply Now."
- **Step 3:** Provide your personal information and job preferences.
- **Step 4:** Attach your resume by following the instructions link to the "Add Resume" button. **NOTE:** Though you are asked to provide a resume it WILL NOT be used at this time to evaluate your qualifications. **ONLY** your responses will be evaluated.
- **Step 5:** Paste in your responses to the exam and click "Finalize."

If you need assistance with the online application process, contact Dionne Boedeker at 608-266-6831 or **DionneL.Boedeker@wisconsin.gov**

***Subsequent screening may occur related to the specifics of each position(s). We intend to correspond with applicants via e-mail. Please be sure to watch your email for correspondence related to future evaluations. If you fail to respond to e-mail inquiries within the specified time frame (generally one week), we will consider you not interested in that specific vacancy.**

**Deadline to apply is Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 11:59 p.m.**

Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.