

Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission

Seasonal Employment Opportunity

Date: 20 February 2018

Position Title: Fisheries Biologist Aide (FBA) – Northeastern Region

Location: Fisheries Management Area 5
3155 Federal Road, US 209
Bushkill, PA 18324

Description: The successful candidate will assist Fisheries Biologists with field activities and office work pertaining to fisheries management of the aquatic resources of the middle and upper Delaware River basin. Primary duties will involve sampling fish populations using a variety of active and passive sampling at lotic and lentic waters throughout Fisheries Management Area 5 with focus on American Shad, Black Bass, Channel Catfish, and wild trout assessments. More specifically, the FBA will assist, as needed, with PFBC's joint initiative with NYDEC-Fisheries in collecting angler use and harvest data, and angler opinions from those utilizing the upper Delaware River Basin wild trout tailwater fishery. Other duties encompass assisting Fisheries Biologists conduct fisheries surveys, water quality analyses, habitat assessments, fisheries data management and formatting, and routine equipment maintenance, among other assigned duties to support the Fisheries Management Division. The duration of the position is not to exceed 375 hours (10 weeks based on a 37.5-hour work week) and will extend from mid-May through early-August 2018. Exact start and end dates are approximate, and negotiable based on availability of the successful applicant. Work schedules are typically Monday through Friday 8AM to 4PM, but may include some weekend days, as well as nighttime work. Some overtime and overnight travel may also be required.

Qualifications: Qualified candidates must be enrolled in or have graduated from a course of study focused on fisheries or a closely related field. Preference will be given to candidates with previous experience conducting fisheries related fieldwork and strong computer skills. Applicants must possess a current and valid driver's license and must be able to lift at least 50 pounds repetitively throughout the workday.

Starting Wage: \$13.23 per hour; no paid holidays

Closing Date: Resumes will be evaluated, and persons will be interviewed on a rolling forward basis through 30 April 2018.

Contact: Email cover letter and resume (including at least three references) to Fisheries Manager Dave Arnold at daarnold@pa.gov. Feel free to contact Fisheries Manager Dave Arnold via email or phone (570-588-6388) for additional information regarding this position.