Environmental Technician (Seasonal)

Red Deer - Do you love working outdoors? Alberta Parks is currently seeking two enthusiastic and outdoor-oriented individuals to assist with the delivery of the Land and Resource Management Program within the Central Region of Alberta Parks. These positions are approximately four months long and scheduled to start on May 1, 2017. The Environmental Technicians report to the regional Park Ecologist. Based in Red Deer, the positions will include substantial amounts of field work with extended stays out-of-town for up to a week at a time.

**Classification:** Natural Resources 3  
**Closing Date:** April 9, 2017  
**Rate of Pay:** Starting at $22.76 per hour (plus 11.2% in lieu of benefits)

**Responsibilities**

A significant component of this position consists of assisting the Park Ecologist and Land Use Officers with Environmental Reviews to inform the approval process for a variety of maintenance, infrastructure and capital projects. These projects may include trail building, trail re-routes, facility development/redevelopment, special events, reclamation, road re-routes or construction, and vegetation management.

Job responsibilities include (but not limited to)

- Gathering and/or reviewing background information and data in the preparation of Environmental Reviews  
- Conducting site visits to collect new environmental data, including spatial (GIS), vegetation, environmental health, wildlife, fisheries and wildlife habitat data  
- Analyzing information and data, and assessing potential impacts (negative or positive) on park terrestrial wildlife, birds, plants, fish, amphibians, insects, soil, water quality, landforms and ecological health and processes  
- Using creative problem solving in suggesting mitigations/options for proposed projects to minimize environmental impacts  
- Liaising with key regional staff to share information and support field work  
- Assisting Land Use Officers with the completion of all levels of Parks Environmental Review Process  
- Participating in monitoring activities, where appropriate  
- Assisting with the field data collection, control, monitoring and data entry for the terrestrial invasive non-native species program within the Central Region, with possible minor involvement in the regional aquatic invasive non-native species program

This position has considerable independence in organizing and carrying out field work, and in setting daily priorities based on goals established with the Park Ecologist, Land Use Officers and possibly other members of the regional Land and Resource Management Team.
Qualifications

- At least two years of college or university with courses or majors relating to environmental, ecological or biological sciences
- Equivalencies in work experience considered
- Self-motivated
- Capable of working with minimal supervision, as well as part of a team
- Willingness to work a flexible schedule and extended periods in the field
- Proficiency with GPS, iPad/Surface Pro, plus good computer (Microsoft Office Suite) and GIS skills
- Ability to operate basic equipment
- Valid Class 5 Driver’s License
- Valid standard first aid course and CPR certification
- Knowledge of environmental review process (provincial or federal) considered an asset
- CSA approved ATV course considered an asset

Term of Employment

- Prior to hire, successful candidates must provide a current Criminal Record Check and a Driver’s License
- Abstract.
- Both positions are 4 months long, starting May 1, 2017.
- The positions will be mobile with visits to various park field offices, according to workplan locations/need.
- Work schedules will be Monday to Friday, often in the field for a week at a time.

Notes

- Application Deadline: 11:59 pm on April 9, 2017
- For more information, contact Terry Krause at 403-340-7683.

How to Apply

Please email your application (resume and cover letter in one MS Word file or PDF) with “Environmental Technician” and first name_last name (Joe_Smith) in the subject line. You can also drop it off (during regular office hours), ensuring that “Environmental Technician” and first name_last name is clearly marked.

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We thank all candidates for their interest. However, only individuals selected for interviews will be contacted.