Fisheries Technician - Idaho Steelhead Monitoring and Evaluation Study

Location: Lewiston
Application Period: 11/20/2026 – 12/15/2026
Employment Type: Temporary/Seasonal
Salary: $18.61 per hour, plus benefits
Employment Dates: 2/17/2027 to 10/29/2027 (flexible)

About the position

The Clearwater Region is seeking three temporary Fisheries Technicians to work on the Idaho Steelhead Monitoring and Evaluation Study.

- Two benefited positions: February 17, 2027 – October 29, 2027
- One non-benefitted position: February 17, 2027 –June 30, 2027

Job Responsibilities will include:

Operating rotary screw traps and maintaining an adult fish weir under variable weather conditions. Technicians are expected to handle and PIT tag juvenile salmonids, collect biological data from juvenile and adult steelhead, maintain field equipment, and manage data. Other potential duties include conducting Chinook spawning ground surveys to identify redds, operating chainsaws and power tools, and camp/site maintenance.

These are field positions based out of the Lewiston regional office. Field work will be conducted remotely at the study sites in Idaho on Fish Creek (Lochsa River drainage) about 45 miles east of Kooskia and the Lochsa River at Lowell. Housing and food will be provided during the work shift, and off-duty housing is also available. The working schedule is highly variable and includes weekends and holidays.

Skills/Qualifications:

It's preferred that applicants have a B.S. degree in fisheries or related field, or the equivalent from job experience and training. Individuals with experience operating screw traps, weirs, PIT tagging, collecting and organizing biological data from both adult and juvenile salmonids will be given preference. Demonstration of good computer and data management skills are required. Applicants must possess a valid driver's license. Incumbents must with or without reasonable accommodations be able to work a variable schedule under adverse weather conditions, lift and carry/pack up to 60 lbs.

How to Apply

1. Complete an IDFG application for temporary employment (https://idfg.idaho.gov/jobs/application-temporary).
2. Submit a cover letter, resume, three professional or academic references, and a completed IDFG application for temporary employment (preferably by email) to:

   Xander Lamping – Fisheries Biologist
   Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game – Clearwater Region
   3316 16th St. Lewiston, ID 83501
   xander.lamping@idfg.idaho.gov
   (208) 750-4243

3. Applicants must register with Idaho Department of Labor (Reference Job # **2644214** at https://labor.idaho.gov)

Comments: EEO/Veteran's Preference. If qualified applicants are found, this announcement may close before the listed closing date.