

## **CLASS TITLE: FISHERY/WATER TECHNICIAN**

**PURPOSE OF THE CLASSIFICATION:** Under general supervision performs semi-technical to technical work and assists a Fishery Biologist in the operation of fishery and water quality resources programs and other related assigned duties.

### **ESSENTIAL TASKS:**

- Assists the Fishery Biologist in conducting the fishery management program on Lakes Eucha and Spavinaw, including capturing fish, weighing, tagging, taking scale samples and recording data
- Assists in shelter programs, aquatic vegetation control, age, growth and population studies, exotic fish introduction, water samples and experimental station operation and maintenance
- Repairs and/or builds nets
- Transports fish
- Compiles and maintains environmental and fishery data and assists other agencies in data collection and compilation
- Prepares reports and maintains records
- Makes presentations to various groups
- Operates and maintains a variety of automotive and non-vehicular equipment and tools
- Performs maintenance on fishery plant

**Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential tasks.**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Training and Experience: Possession of an associate's degree from an accredited college or university in biology, chemistry, wildlife management, fishery management, animal science or a closely related field, and three (3) years of related experience; or an equivalent combination of training and experience, per Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section 128.

Knowledge, Abilities and Skills: Good knowledge of laboratory equipment and terminology and a wide variety of standard laboratory techniques and procedures; some knowledge of maintenance and construction tools and repair and maintenance practices; good knowledge of the practices and techniques of modern fish management; good knowledge of the state laws and regulations and City ordinances pertaining to fishing; and good knowledge of first aid, lifesaving work and water safety practices. Ability to conduct various routine laboratory experiments; ability to learn accepted common names of fish as established by the American Fishery Society; ability to collect and compile information into an electronic database; ability to follow written or verbal instructions and to react quickly and calmly in emergency situations; ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing; ability to operate a variety of equipment; and the ability to courteously and tactfully communicate with fellow workers, supervisors, other members of the organization and the public in giving and receiving information. Must possess skill in the use and care of small hand tools.

Physical Requirements: Physical requirements include arm and hand steadiness and finger dexterity enough to use a keyboard and telephone; occasional lifting, carrying, pushing, and pulling up to 60 pounds; may be subject to standing, walking, sitting, reaching, balancing, bending, kneeling, crawling, handling, feeling, climbing, smelling, and twisting; and vision, speech and hearing sufficient to perform the essential tasks.

Licenses and Certificates: Possession of a valid Oklahoma Class "D" Operator's License; possession of a valid Class "D" or higher Water License as issued by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ); current State Fishing License; possession of, or ability to obtain S.C.U.B.A. certification within six (6) months of date of employment.

**WORKING ENVIRONMENT:** Working environment is primarily outdoors and in inclement weather, and occasionally indoors.

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**Group: Cultural, Legal and Sciences**

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