

## LONG -TERM FIELD TECHNICIAN – 2024 FISH AND STREAM HABITAT MONITORING

**Positions:** Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) - Scientific Technician 2

**Location:** Olympic Experimental State Forest (<http://www.dnr.wa.gov/oesf>); stationed in Forks, WA.

We are currently recruiting for a Scientific Technician 2. The position will start June 2024 and is expected to last for at least 12 months with a likely chance for an extension. This position will be involved in research and monitoring to help meet DNR's commitments under the Endangered Species Act and will also work on the co-led DNR/University of Washington T3 Watershed Experiment ([T3 Watershed Experiment | Olympic Natural Resources Center \(washington.edu\)](#)) on DNR's Olympic Experimental State Forest. Work conducted under this position will include: conducting juvenile salmonid population estimates (using a backpack electrofisher), stream habitat surveys, water quality sampling, and riparian/upland forest stand surveys. The person selected for this position will typically work on 2-4 person crews, but will occasionally work independently. Work sites are remote and require strenuous hikes on steep slopes, often carrying heavy sampling equipment. Most work is completed rain or shine under a variety of weather conditions. For additional information, please visit our storymaps on the [salmon monitoring](#) and [riparian habitat monitoring](#) programs.

**Type of appointment:** full time, non-permanent

**Available position:**

June 2024 to June 30th, 2025 with a likely chance of extension.

**Benefits:** The monthly salary ranges from \$3,376-\$4,497 depending on candidate's qualifications and experience. Positions accrue 8 hours sick leave and 8 hours annual leave per month. Medical insurance is available for employees working over 6 months.

**Required qualifications:** Driver's license, ability to hike in rugged terrain and work in inclement weather conditions, ability to work well in a team, understanding of environmental monitoring, diligence, and attention to detail in collecting and managing field data.

**Desired qualifications:** Bachelor's degree from an environmental science, forestry, fisheries, or related program; field experience in fisheries or aquatic ecology; experience in identifying local fish species and fish workup; conducting forest-stand or stream habitat surveys; experience with backpack electrofishing and/or redd surveys; GPS and navigation experience; and experience with data collection and data management.

**Work Schedule:** Typically Monday-Thursday (10 hr days) however days are often extended to finish daily surveys. 90% of work is in the field.

**Housing:** Housing is not provided by DNR, and finding housing in Forks, WA can be difficult.

**How to apply:** Email your resume with three references to Washington Department of Natural Resources' fish biologist Kyle Martens ([kyle.martens@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:kyle.martens@dnr.wa.gov)). Applications will first be reviewed on March 11<sup>th</sup>. In your email, please indicate any timing constraints that you may have with the position.