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RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Watercraft Inspection Program Service Technician Environmental Technician I

Salary: \$21.00 per hour

Eligible for bonuses based on attendance and standing

Full time, seasonal position

Summary Description

Tahoe Resource Conservation District (Tahoe RCD) is a non-regulatory special district that promotes the conservation, stewardship and knowledge of the Lake Tahoe Region's natural resources by providing leadership and innovative environmental services to all stakeholders.

The Watercraft Inspection Program (WIP) is a well-coordinated, collaborative and successful aquatic invasive species (AIS) prevention effort that provides technical assistance to project partners and residents within the Lake Tahoe region. Tahoe RCD and its program partners, including the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, work closely together to fully implement this program on public and private lands.

As a staff member of Tahoe RCD and working under the direction of the Lake Tahoe Aquatic Invasive Species Program, the Service Technician will work autonomously and be responsible for operating a large commercial truck with a 14' utility bed and towing a 10,000lb water trailer. Driving conditions involve narrow mountain roads, busy traffic, and narrow shoulders along with backing up into tight areas in order to perform necessary duties. Basic maintenance of equipment at remote sites includes cleaning fouled water tanks and transporting/dumping at reclamation facilities, as well as stocking and resupplying watercraft inspection stations, and assisting the Operations Coordinator as needed. This position integrates aspects of mechanics, plumbing and electrical. Position will assist early and late season with the site set up take down of temporary watercraft inspection sites and involves working around small cranes to move heavy equipment necessary for inspection site operations. On-the-job training specific to Program proprietary equipment will be provided for the right applicant.

Position will also be trained and occasionally operate as a watercraft inspector. Adaptability, organization, and excellent communication are a must.

This is a full-time seasonal position. The work of the Service Technician is physically and mentally demanding. Work is performed in the field, office, and from a Tahoe RCD vehicle.

Duties and Responsibilities

Service Tech

- Drive service truck and trailer to deliver supplies and perform maintenance at all inspection stations throughout the region
- Responsible for implementing a routine maintenance program on decontamination machines with guidance from Operations Coordinator
- Assist with set up and take down of temporary watercraft inspection sites.
- Responsible for tool maintenance and inventory
- Assist with troubleshooting equipment to identify and solve issues
- Assist Supervisors and Operations Coordinator in identifying and mitigating safety hazards
- Suggest economical, safe, durable, and efficient solutions and improvements to equipment

- Assist in maintaining supplies inventory and organization in warehouse and supply truck
- Perform watercraft inspections in the field and at inspection stations
- Perform additional services and other related duties as directed by the Operations Coordinator or Program Manager

Minimum Qualifications

- **Experience:** Demonstrated minimal experience and basic understanding of mechanical, carpentry, electrical, plumbing, and/or pneumatic systems. At least 1 year experience driving a trailer
- **Skills:** Must be able to quickly learn basic maintenance skills. Must have impeccable time management and organizational skills. Must be able to follow detailed instructions and also work independently with limited guidance. Must have an ability to manage high traffic situations effectively; familiarity with Lake Tahoe ecological and social issues; a can-do-attitude is a must.
- **Ability to:** work on a team and independently; exercise safe work practices at all times; exercise sound judgment; establish and maintain effective working relationships; maintain a professional demeanor and presence.
- **Possess:** basic computer literacy; California or Nevada driver's license and evidence of a favorable driving record. A DMV printout may be required prior to employment.
- **Subject to:** background check requested by Tahoe RCD.

Desirable Qualifications

- Advanced knowledge of watercraft, watercraft engines, decontamination machinery, and invasive species
- Certifications in trade skills
- Commercial driver's license

Working Conditions

Work is performed at a desk (5%), and in the field (95%). Position requires irregular work hours when needed (overtime, evenings, weekends, and holidays).

Physical Requirements

The physical requirements described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the functions of the job. Position will require manual labor. Ability to lift up to 50 lbs; ability to sit, kneel, walk and stand for intermittent periods of time and on a frequent basis; strength, dexterity, coordination; ability to climb, bend, stoop, squat, and reach on a frequent basis; ability to communicate on a telephone, via email, and in person. Ability to properly prepare for long hours exposed to the elements. Watercraft inspection stations and boat ramps are located from approximately 6200 to 7200 feet in elevation. Summer temperatures can reach over 90°F, and snow can accumulate throughout the year. Operations will allow for exposure to conditions such as dust, fumes, noise, heat, cold, rain, lightning, snow, wildfire smoke for extended periods, and/or odors.

Benefits

This position is seasonal and considered to be "at will" dependent upon the needs of the Tahoe RCD and the availability of funding to support the position. Position includes the following benefits: El Dorado County sick pay accrual in accordance with seasonal employment, State of California Workers' Compensation Insurance, California State Unemployment Insurance, California State Disability Insurance and Social Security. If you are currently enrolled in The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), membership will be continued.

To Apply

Position open until filled. Send email with "Last Name - WIP Service Technician" in subject line and attach cover letter, resume and 3 professional references to:

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