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Position Information

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| Job Open Date | 12-12-2011 |
| Position Title | Extension Assistant |
| Hiring Unit | Texas Water Resources Institute |
| NOV Number | 05772 |
| Job Type | Full-Time |
| Salary <i>Starting salaries for positions may be negotiable based upon qualifications and experience</i> | Commensurate |
| Pay Basis | Monthly |
| Budgeted? | Budgeted - with benefits |
| Position open to internal candidates only? | No |
| Location | Jefferson |
| District (required for AgriLife Extension County Programs Positions only) | |
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| Major/Essential Duties of Job | <p>Provide primary field support for programs of the new Center for Invasive Species Eradication (CISE). Coordination and facilitation of applied research and educational programs related to the CISE on Caddo Lake and other giant salvinia infested Texas water bodies. These duties include managing the salvinia weevil rearing facility at Karnak, TX, implementation of chemical and biological control demonstrations, field support of CISE research projects, presentation of educational programs on CISE projects and other related educational programs.</p> <p>Work under the direction of the CISE Caddo Lake Team and coordinate CISE project activities with cooperators including Texas Parks and Wildlife, Caddo Lake Institute, Cypress Valley Navigation District, Natural Resource Conservation Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Louisiana State University and others as necessary to provide project assistance in research and outreach. Collecting and organizing biological data. Application of aquatic herbicides.</p> |
| Occasional Duties | Other duties as required including development of contracts and grants to support efforts. |
| Required Education: | Bachelor's degree in Biology, Entomology, Horticulture, Wildlife and Fisheries Science, Environmental Sciences or closely related field. |
| Preferred Education: | Master's degree in Biology, Entomology, Horticulture, Wildlife and Fisheries Science, Environmental Sciences Aquatic Weed Science or closely related field. |
| Required Experience: | Experience in collecting and organizing biological data under outdoor field conditions, application of aquatic herbicides (possess TX Aquatic Applicators License or have ability to obtain), establishing effective working relationships with diverse groups, and in speaking before groups. |

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| Preferred Experience: | Experience in Extension, applied research, chemical weed control and aquatic plant management. |
| Required licenses, certifications, or registrations: | Texas Aquatic Applicators License. |
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| Required special knowledge, abilities, and skills: | Ability to establish effective working relationships with diverse groups. Ability to perform public speaking in front of groups. Ability to multi-task and work cooperatively with others. Ability to effectively use personal computer. |
| Preferred special knowledge, abilities, and skills: | None. |
| Other requirements or other factors: | Job is located in Karnack, Texas near Jefferson, Texas and Caddo Lake. Employment is contingent upon the agency's verification of credentials and/or other information required by agency procedures, including the completion of a criminal history check. |
| Comments to Applicants | Finalists may be required to furnish a copy of official transcript documenting degree conferred. Texas law requires all males 18-25 show proof of compliance with federal Selective Service law to be eligible for employment. |

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Selected candidate must pass a pre-employment background investigation to be hired for this position.