

Hourly Position(s): Nongame Mammal Projects Technician New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Fish and Wildlife – Endangered and Nongame Species Program

Location: Lebanon Field Office (Hunterdon); travel statewide **Application period closes**: May 13, 2022, or until filled

Position: 35-40 hours per week, with two employment options:

- 1) Seasonal Year-round position, working no more than 900 hours per fiscal year, or
- 2) Summer Position starts in June, ends by late October (duration can be flexible)

Duties: Work directly with the Endangered and Nongame Species Program's mammal biologists on projects involving bats, bobcats, Allegheny woodrats, and other priority species. Job duties will include deploying acoustic detectors at bat monitoring sites statewide, inspecting bridges for bat occupancy, assisting with nighttime mist-netting, bat roost/ emergence surveys, some maintenance of automated radio telemetry stations, live trapping and camera monitoring of Allegheny woodrats, stream culvert assessments for wildlife passability (NAACC protocol), camera monitoring of culverts and wildlife tunnels, roadkill data collection and compilation, GIS mapping/analysis and preparing Road Segment Reports related to wildlife barriers, GIS mapping and analysis of species location and habitat data, public education/ communications, other tasks related to CHANJ (Connecting Habitat Across New Jersey) and other projects as needed. Duties may be split between more than one technician.

Responsibilities include field sampling in various terrain and conditions, sometimes alone, use of electronic devices, data collection and management, operation of a state pickup truck, light equipment maintenance, and occasional handling of live or dead/roadkilled animals. Work hours are typically daytime (between ~9 am – 5 pm) but sometimes include early morning start times or night work (as late as ~2 am). Candidates should be willing to work flexible hours as required. Use of a personal vehicle for field work may be required.

Education and experience: College student or graduate with a concentration in wildlife biology, ecology, natural resource management, environmental science or a related field is preferred. Some experience in wildlife research or management is preferred. Proficiency using Word, Excel, Access, and GIS is preferred. Candidates must demonstrate initiative and ability to work independently and as a team. Having rabies pre-exposure vaccinations and a current, acceptable titer level is a benefit but is not required. A valid driver's license is required.

Wages: This is a temporary hourly position with an hourly wage starting at \$15.50 per hour, dependent on qualifications and experience.

To apply: Please send an email that includes a statement of your interest and suitability for the position and a current resume, including two references, to <u>MacKenzie.Hall@dep.nj.gov</u> by Friday, May 13th. We will continue reviewing applications until the positions are filled. Only those candidates that will be invited for an interview will be contacted.