

MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

INTERN PROGRAM REQUEST

EMPLOYER: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: Friday, January 3, 2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, February 14, 2025, at 5:00 PM

****STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE****

POSITION TITLE: Native Fisheries Conservation Summer Intern
POSITIONS: 1

OF

LOCATION(S): Dillon, SW Montana (throughout FWP Region 3)

WORK START/END DATES: June 9, 2025 - August 29, 2025

HOURS/WEEK: 40

TOTAL HOURS FOR INTERNSHIP: 480

TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES: June 9, 2024

HOURLY PAY: \$13.00/hr. for 12 weeks

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION/RESOURCES:

Housing provided

If yes, please list type of housing available:

Vehicle provided

Per Diem

Other (please explain):

POSITION DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF WORK: The successful recipient of this position will be responsible for assisting with conservation efforts for Westslope cutthroat trout and Arctic grayling in Southwest Montana. Responsibilities of this position will include spawning Arctic grayling in mountain lakes, electrofishing for Arctic grayling and Westslope cutthroat trout, assisting on non-native fish removals using mechanical and chemical methods, collection of eDNA samples to determine effectiveness of fish removal projects, and transport of Westslope cutthroat trout into protected habitats. Other responsibilities may include data entry and gear maintenance.

SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS): Recipient must be currently enrolled or enrolled the previous

Spring (2024) in a college university. A minimum GPA of 3.00 is required in a Natural Resources, Biology, Environmental Science, or similar major. Recipient must be able to complete strenuous work in remote locations with varying weather conditions. Hikes of upwards of ten miles carrying overnight backpacks and sampling gear will be required. The position requires extended camping trips; however, camping gear will be provided. Applicants should be skilled in map reading, navigation with GPS, operating an ATV, data collection, and communicating with the public. Experience in fisheries is a plus, but not required.

APPLICATION MATERIALS:

- Resume**
- Cover Letter**
- References**
- Other (please specify):**

SEND APPLICATION MATERIALS TO: lbateman@mt.gov

COOPERATING SPONSORS OF PROJECT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCES: SWG

PROJECT NUMBERS FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR: 3382

DO ANY OF YOUR PROJECT NUMBERS USE FEDERAL FUNDING? **Yes** **No**

IF SO, PLEASE NOTE WHICH PROJECT NUMBERS AND FUNDING SOURCE: 3382

EXPECTED COST OF INTERNSHIP, INCLUDING ALL BENEFITS AND OVERHEAD, PER FISCAL YEAR:

ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF INTERNSHIP: \$9,115

WILL ANY GRANTS OR SCHOLARSHIPS BE USED TO FUND THE INTERNSHIP?

Yes **No**

IF SO, PLEASE LIST NUMBERS ATTACHED TO THOSE: NA

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Dillon is in the southwest corner of Montana. The population of Dillon is around 4300 and the town offers several grocery stores, great food options, a brewery, and numerous parks. Trout fishing around Dillon is world renowned with the Beaverhead River flowing through town and the Ruby, Big Hole, Jefferson, and Madison rivers all nearby. Dillon also offers ample hiking and camping opportunities in the surrounding National Forest.

The rewards are great for the student who is capable of successfully filling this position, but the job is physically challenging. This is an excellent summer opportunity for someone majoring in Fish and Wildlife Management or a related field and for those desiring college credits as an internship, individual project, or independent study.