



OHIO RIVER VALLEY WATER SANITATION COMMISSION

JOB DESCRIPTION

Title: Biologist II

FLSA Status: Exempt

Reports To: Technical Programs Manager

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Job Summary:

Under the direct supervision of the Technical Programs Manager, the Biologist II is responsible for carrying out biological program activities adopted by the Commission and reporting the results. In addition, the incumbent interacts with other organizations conducting biological monitoring of the Ohio River to facilitate exchange of information. Frequent overnight travel for field work within the basin between June and November, as well as occasional travel to local, regional, or national meetings year-round is required.

Job Duties:

In addition to the duties required of a Biologist I,

- Lead boat-based survey crews (e.g. night-time electrofishing and macroinvertebrate surveys), comprising ORSANCO staff and seasonal biologists, in the execution of sampling protocols in a safe and effective manner.
- Lead sampling demonstrations and give presentations for community and/or school groups.
- Oversee the entry of biological data into the proper database structure for analysis.
- Assist with conducting meetings of other biological workgroups/panels including, but not limited to the Fish Consumption Advisory Workgroup and Macroinvertebrate Panel of Experts.
- Assist with consultation with members of the BWQSC and other panels to develop statistically sound strategies for collecting and assessing biological data.
- Participate in other internal and external workgroups, committees, or subcommittees as deemed necessary by the Technical Programs Manager.
- Assist with development of budget projections for program attributes.
- Fulfill data requests and other inquiries from internal and external sources in a timely fashion.
- Periodically serve on 24/7 on-call spill notification duty.
- Other duties as assigned.

Job Requirements:

Bachelor's degree in biology or related field is required. A master's degree with emphasis in areas such as environmental sciences, aquatic biology, or ecology is preferred. A demonstrated proficiency in oral and written English language skills is required. A minimum of three years experience, a significant portion of which includes field studies, sampling, and data analysis is required. A master's degree shall substitute for one year of experience. Shall have or be able to acquire a valid driver's license and be capable of being insured or furnishing automotive insurance. Physical fitness must be commensurate with duties.

ORSANCO is a dynamic organization in a rapidly changing industry. Accordingly, the responsibilities associated with this job will change from time to time in accordance with business needs. More specifically, the incumbent may be required to perform additional and/or different responsibilities from those set forth above. It is not to be construed as an exhaustive statement of duties, requirements, or responsibilities.