Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate

Job Description

**Job Title:** Biologist Technician

**Reports to:** Fish & Wildlife Manager

**Duration:** Full Time

**Summary:** The Biologist Technician will be an employee of the SWO and will be under the direct supervision of the SWO Fish & Wildlife Manager.

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. Assist in the department and in conduction with annual wildlife population surveys to determine population size, trend sex-ratio, health and harvest. Wildlife surveys shall include but not be limited to pheasant, turkey, grouse, waterfowl and deer.

2. Assists with gathering wildlife data to perform statistical analysis to ensure confidence limits achieved are biologically sound. Assist in the development and conducting of wildlife habitat. Assists the Fish and Wildlife Director and Biologist in recommending policies pertaining to the Natural Resource management.

3. Will utilize wildlife data and habitat inventory data for the development and completion of short and long term wildlife management plans. These plans will include, but not be limited to; establishing annual wildlife survey techniques, statistical data evaluation techniques for proper interpretation, management and/or harvest guidelines for varying population levels conductive to habitat conditions, determining habitat condition and establish criteria for proper resource protection.

4. Responsible for assisting the Director and Biologist in developing comprehensive wildlife and wildlife habitat management plans. Recommend proper resource management protection procedures and assists the Director and Biologist in the implementation of developed management plans.

5. Must be able to establish and maintain effective working relationships with federal, state, tribal, local and other agencies and the general public.

6. Other duties as assigned.
KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of federal, state, and tribal Fish and Wildlife laws and regulations is required to ensure that plans and management actions are consistent in governing the use of wildlife resources.
- Demonstrate knowledge required of wildlife research techniques such as aerial surveys, habitat evaluations procedures, necropsies etc.
- The incumbent must be able to apply a variety of complex and technical data and facts for the implementation of comprehensive management plans.
- Demonstrate abilities to write and orally communicate with clarity and effectiveness.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION:

- Minimum of a high school diploma or G.E.D required with some college coursework in natural resource related field.
- Must have at least two (2) years experience in wildlife management or closely related field.
- Must be 21 years of age.
- Must have a valid SD driver’s license and must be able to obtain a Tribal driver’s license.
- Must be willing to work irregular hours.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

- The duties of the position require moderate to arduous physical exertion involving walking, running, standing and exposure to inclement weather.
- Incumbent may often engage in strenuous physical activity in the performance of their duties, therefore the incumbent must be in decent physical fitness.

Approved: ____________________________  Date: 10-13-17