

Intermediate/Senior Wildlife Ecologist-Biologist

VAST Resource Solutions is a diverse and growing natural resource consulting company based in Cranbrook, BC and providing services to private and public sector clients throughout western Canada. We are seeking an experienced, field-ready **Intermediate/Senior Wildlife Ecologist-Biologist** to join our team.

The Wildlife Ecologist-Biologist will provide technical leadership to a diverse array of environmental and resource management projects including study design, application of methodologies/techniques for field, laboratory and office work, advanced data/statistical analysis and report preparation. Experience operating in a dynamic consulting environment that requires flexibility, adaptive management and teamwork is a definite asset.

This is a permanent full-time position to begin as soon as the ideal candidate is found. **Applications will be evaluated as they are received; the posting may close at any time.**

Responsibilities:

- Design, perform and manage a diverse range of wildlife and habitat studies, including the collection, analysis and interpretation of biological, chemical, physical, and statistical data.
- Conduct sampling using a variety of field gear, analytical equipment, and sampling techniques in a range of environments.
- Coordinate, supervise and mentor environmental technicians.
- Prepare detailed technical reports for clients, regulatory agencies and other stakeholders.
- Provide technical assistance in the preparation of environmental compliance and regulatory documents required for project approval and implementation, such as Environmental Assessments, EMPs, environmental protection plans, permits, licenses, and approvals.
- Assist with managing all aspects of project implementation, including resourcing, budgeting, scheduling, reporting, quality management, and day-to-day client liaison.
- Develop and manage effective relationships with industry, government, First Nations, clients, and the communities where we work and live.
- Prepare work plans and cost estimates, and write high-quality proposals.
- Contribute to the continued growth and scientific development of VAST Resource Solutions.

Requirements:

- An MSc in wildlife ecology/biology or a related discipline plus five or more years of relevant experience, OR a BSc in a related discipline plus seven or more years of relevant experience; previous consulting experience would be a definite asset.
- Professional registration as an RPBio, PBIol, or BIT, or eligible for registration within six months of employment commencement.
- Demonstrated ability to proficiently complete the identified job responsibilities.
- Knowledge of federal and provincial legislation relating to wildlife management.
- Experience liaising with regulators, First Nations, and other key stakeholders.
- Up-to-date First Aid certification.
- A current Class 5 BC Driver's License.

VAST prides itself on being valued and trusted by our employees, clients, colleagues, and the communities in which we live, work and recreate. We are focused on capitalizing on the diverse skills and expertise of our team of 45+ staff to become the trusted name in resource consulting, with a proven track record of providing exceptional client service, offering practical solutions and delivering projects on time, in scope and on budget.

VAST provides:

- challenging and rewarding work responsibilities in a collaborative team environment;
- professional development, mentoring and career advancement opportunities;
- competitive wages and a comprehensive employee benefits package;
- support of a healthy balance between career and personal commitments; and,
- unparalleled access to the great outdoors for work and play!

If you share our values, would like to experience life in the beautiful East Kootenay region of BC, and have the skills and abilities we are seeking, please email your resume, a cover letter clearly stating why VAST is the place for you, and a recent sample of your technical writing, to:

VAST Resource Solutions Inc.

Attention: Dave Struthers, PAg, Owner/Principal
dave.struthers@vastresource.com

All responses are completely confidential. Only individuals selected for an interview will be contacted. VAST Resource Solutions is committed to providing equitable treatment and equal opportunity to all persons throughout our recruitment, selection and employment processes.