POSITION TITLE: RECREATIONAL FISHERY CREEL OBSERVER

CLASSIFICATION: Field Technician - Casual Positions

DEPARTMENT: Fisheries and Oceans Canada, South Coast Stock Assessment

WORK DESCRIPTION:
Creel Survey positions require candidates to conduct interviews at commonly used landing sites, and record recreational fishing data from recreational anglers at the completion of their fishing trips.
Specific job duties include, but may not be limited to:
- Interacting with the public
- Conducting catch monitoring interviews
- Identifying recreationally caught finfish and shellfish
- Collecting biological samples (DNA, scales, and otoliths)
- Collecting and recording clear and precise data
- Entering data into electronic databases

Candidates are required to provide their own transportation to and from the landing sites within their area of responsibility. Mileage expenses related to the job duties will be reimbursed. Hours of work may vary from 7 to 35 hours per week and shifts will include both weekends and weekdays. Shift times will vary depending on the month and the job location/area.

As a representative of the Government of Canada interacting with the public, creel observers are required to conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner at all times. Training and further information about these positions will be provided to successful candidates.

WORK LOCATIONS: Various locations on Vancouver Island and the lower mainland.

WORK DURATION: Duration will be either part-time of full-time from May through to the end of October, depending on location.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
- Knowledge of the biology of Pacific Salmon
- Comfortable working around water (docks and boat launches)
- Effective interpersonal skills
- Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing
- Able to work evenings and most weekends
- Able to handle strenuous field activities
- Are initiative, dependable, and exercise good judgement
- Successful completion of secondary school
- English language proficiency
- Valid BC Class 5 Driver’s License and access to your own transportation
- Computer literate
- No criminal record (security screening required – reliability status)

ASSET QUALIFICATIONS:
- Experience conducting surveys
- Experience handling fish and taking biological samples
- Experience recording and managing scientific data
- Ability to identify Pacific Salmon and other common recreational caught species
- Experience working with the public
- Experience working in outdoor locations
- Recreational fishing experience

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Please provide a resume and highlight how you meet the required and asset qualifications. There are no moving or living expenses associated with these positions. Only qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview and asked to fill out a security clearance form.