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SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION, INC.

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
NORTHERN SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION
SALMON LAKE WEIR MONITORING PROJECT

Title: Fisheries Technician (2 positions)
Location: Sitka, Alaska (and semi-remote field camp)
Dates: July 16 through November 12, 2010
Starting Wage: \$12.00 to \$13.00 per hour (DOE), plus room & board at camp, and housing in Sitka
Closing Date: June 11, 2010

Duties: This position will assist project staff with the set-up, operation, maintenance, and breakdown of NSRAA's semi-remote Salmon Lake field camp, and associated structures (tents, floating weir, et cetera) and equipment. This position will require a general understanding of fisheries field techniques, a willingness to work in semi-remote field camps, and the ability to live and work cooperatively in tight quarters with other Fisheries Technicians, and the project's Fisheries Biologist. While at field camp, this position will require the daily use of small boats/skiffs and outboard motors, the ability to identify adult salmon and other fish species, the ability to properly operate and maintain floating resistance board weirs, and the ability to interact professionally with the public. Preferred candidates will have some experience with firearms, especially shotguns, and should be willing and able to live and work in bear country.

Qualifications: Candidates with strong communication skills and who are attentive to detail are preferred, a positive attitude and/or flexibility in the face of potentially adverse living/working conditions is an absolute must. Additionally, sound physical fitness is necessary due to the physical nature of field camp-related work (i.e., ability to carry 50 pounds for distances up to 100 yards). Candidates must be able to live at a semi-remote field camp in rustic living conditions and interact positively with co-workers. Free housing will be provided at a communal apartment in Sitka for those times when the employee is not assigned for duty at field camp.

The Salmon Lake Weir is operated by Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA), a private non-profit regional aquaculture association based out of Sitka, Alaska. NSRAA provides increased fishing opportunities for the common property fisheries of Northern Southeast Alaska. Salmon Lake is located approximately 10 miles southeast of Sitka at the terminus of Silver Bay in eastern Sitka Sound. The lake is accessible by floatplane or by boat and foot. The U.S. Forest Service maintains a recreational use cabin on the lake and a foot trail that provides access to Salmon and Redoubt Lakes from Silver Bay. The lake supports populations of sockeye, pink, chum and coho salmon, Dolly Varden, cutthroat trout, stickle back, sculpin, and steelhead. Please visit our Web-site at <http://www.nsraa.org/> for a detailed description of NSRAA's various projects.

Interested individuals should send the following information by FAX, e-mail, or snail mail: (1) a detailed resume describing pertinent work experience and/or education; (2) the names and contact information (e-mail is ideal) for three references familiar with the applicant's work experience/performance. If the applicant does not have access to such materials (resume, et cetera), they may complete an official NSRAA application for employment, and mail or fax a copy of said application to the physical address provided below. NSRAA's official application may be obtained either by calling NSRAA's administrative office at (907) 747-6850, or through NSRAA's Web-site: <http://www.nsraa.org/>. All inquiries and materials should be directed to Josh Homer via one of the following means of contact:

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Application materials must be received by June 11, 2010 in order to be granted consideration for this position. Our hiring decision will be made soon thereafter.