



# Summer Stream Survey Job Hydrologic & Biological Technician Stanislaus National Forest, CA



## General:

The Stanislaus National Forest (Sonora, CA) is seeking two hydrologic technician and two biological technician (fish &/or wildlife) for the 2010 summer field season to assist in aquatic ecosystem assessment. The majority of time will be spent conducting physical stream habitat surveys, though some amphibian and/or fish surveys may also be required. Many sites are remote, but most work will be accomplished via day trips. A few weeks of camping may be required, depending on travel time to work sites. Experience conducting field research is desirable, preferably involving stream habitat surveys, and/or aquatic biological surveys. Salary is approximately \$13.41 - \$15.00/hr. depending on qualifications.

Applicants should have prior backcountry experience and the ability to hike up to 15 miles per day; be very comfortable in and around water; be comfortable in remote settings with limited human contact for prolonged periods; be able to work well in a small crew; be detail oriented; and be able to work in difficult environments, some of which include: hot (>100<sup>0</sup>F), cold (near freezing), wet, windy, brushy, and insect-rich. Tour of duty will generally be 4 days on, 3 days off, with 10-hour work days. Work location/conditions may necessitate alteration of this schedule for a few weeks during the season, therefore flexibility is required. The position will run from early June through September or October, depending on funding. At this time, no government housing (barracks) is available for this position.

## Location:

Sonora is located in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountain range, at an elevation of approximately 1,700 feet. The town itself has a population of approximately 5,000, though the influence of numerous nearby communities makes it feel somewhat larger. As the county's cultural center, Sonora is home to museums, art galleries and live theatre. The city also hosts numerous festivals and special events throughout the year. Just outside the city limits, many within an hour's drive, are abundant outdoor recreational opportunities, some of which include: hiking, backpacking, camping, fishing, mountain biking, golfing, horseback riding, rock climbing, etc.

## How to apply:

**Students** – Send me your resume and transcripts (copies are fine)

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**Non Students** - You **must** apply via the national hiring system, which is done through the following website:

[www.avuedigital services.com/usfs/applicant.html](http://www.avuedigital services.com/usfs/applicant.html)

If you are a new user of this system, plan on at least a few hours to develop your profile and complete the application process. Be sure to select "**Sonora, CA**" as one of your preferred work locations, otherwise you won't be considered for this position. The successful applicant will be hired at the GS-4 or GS-5 level, with a pay rate of approximately \$13.41 - \$15.00/hr. You must apply for one or more of the vacancy announcements listed below to be considered for this position; if you qualify, we highly recommend you apply to all that are applicable to maximize your chance of success.

TEMP-OCR-404-4-FISH  
TEMP-OCR-404-5-FISH  
TEMP-OCR-404-4-WLDF  
TEMP-OCR-404-5-WLDF  
TEMP -OCR-1316-4-HYDRO  
TEMP -OCR-1316-5-HYDRO

Again, don't forget to choose **Sonora, CA** as one of your work locations!

**Timeline:** We expect to complete the hiring process in April. To ensure consideration for the temporary position, please submit your application by **March 12, 2010**. The job will begin in early June 2010.

*Please feel free to contact me with any questions.*

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