STUDENT POSTING

Climatology Research Assistant

Omineca Region, BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

Description:  Climatology Research Assistant
               Youth Employment Program (YEP) Level 2

Base Location: Prince George, BC

Duration: For 16 consecutive weeks between May 11, 2015 to August 28, 2015

General Duties:

The successful applicant will assist the research climatologist on climate data collection and analysis to support current research on assessing climate change impacts in northern British Columbia. Funding is provided as part of the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions Internship Program. The project will consist of both office and field work. Office work includes analyzing data from various weather stations and data loggers for climate trends related to natural disturbances. Field work will include the installation of a variety of data loggers and weather stations, including their programming, monitoring, downloading and maintenance, data storage and data analysis. The candidate will also assist the climatologist with various extension activities and other related duties, including assisting with ministry Climate Actions Plans and conducting work that addresses the ministry’s Climate Change Strategy.

Basic Requirements:

- All applicants must submit a resume identifying how they meet requirements for general duties.
- All applicants must be returning to school in the fall of 2015.
- Valid BC driver’s license.
- Must be physically fit, and willing to work outdoors under adverse weather conditions is essential.
- Experience working with dataloggers and electronic instrumentation is desirable.
- Candidates with a strong interest in field research (geography & environmental sciences) are desired.
- Preference will be giving to those with GIS analysis skills, and/or statistical analysis skills.
• Must have basic computer skills.
• Position requires temporary membership with the BC Government Employees Union.
• Meet requirements of the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions Internship Program including a written report on the outcomes of the work term.

Remuneration:

$1,174.30 bi-weekly base pay plus vacation pay @ 6% of regular earnings and health and $49.00 bi-weekly in lieu of health and welfare benefits. Travel for field work outside of Prince George may be required and any resulting travel expenses will be compensated.

Please Note: Position subject to approval and availability of funding.

For Further Information Please Contact:

Vanessa Foord, Research Climatologist
Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations
5th Flr., 1044 5th Ave
Omineca Forest Region
1011 4th Avenue
Prince George, BC V2L 3H9
Phone (250) 565-4333, e-mail Vanessa.Foord@gov.bc.ca

Please submit resume by email to Vanessa.Foord@gov.bc.ca

Deadline for applications is 4:30 P.M., April 15, 2015.