JOB ANNOUNCEMENT



Student Vector Control Field Technician (seasonal)

The District is seeking seasonal staff to assist in mosquito and vector surveillance, control, and other support roles as part of the Clark County Mosquito Control District. Our District is based in Vancouver, WA and serves all of Clark County.

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Final Filing Date: April 25, 2025 by 3:30 p.m.

Veterans are encouraged to apply

Posting Status: Student (up to 3 months)

Application Process

Interested individuals must submit a resume and a cover letter explaining why you are interested in the position. Failure to complete the instructions in this job announcement may result in your application being rejected. Please direct your application materials electronically to mosquito@ccmcd.org (subject line "Student Field Technician 2025 – Seasonal"), by mail to: Clark County Mosquito Control District, PO Box 5032, Vancouver, WA, 98668, or by fax to 360-573-1921. No phone calls please.

Job Description

Seasonal Student Vector Control Field Technician. The position may be field work oriented (research project) or assigned to our mosquito surveillance program (trapping). This position will be based out of the District facility in Vancouver, WA; however, work areas may change depending on need and can be anywhere in Clark County. Basic computer skills required.

Duties include but are not limited to the following:

Field Work & Surveillance

- Identifying immature and adult mosquitoes using a microscope
- Trapping and collecting adult mosquitoes
- Using laboratory equipment and instruments
- Using laptop/handheld computer devices to collect field information
- Conduct weekly monitoring and sample collection of mosquito larvae in a variety of field habitats to observe and record changes to species and abundance patterns throughout the season.
- Conduct follow-up field surveys and necessary larvae sample collections of catch basins treated with a variety of larvicides. Assist in conducting bioassay testing on collected samples, as necessary.
- Assist in analyzing the prevalence of *Culex pipiens* form hybridization in Clark County by collecting samples from a variety of habitats in remote locations.

- Analyze the efficacy and species preference of different types of adult mosquito traps within a variety of habitats.
- Monitor *Coquillettidia* larvae using endoscopes, record environmental factors, and assess potential treatment methods.
- Safely operating a District vehicle to perform work-related activities
- Communicating District messages to the public
- Correctly utilizing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Accurately interpreting paper and electronic maps
- Performing general maintenance activity (cleaning laboratory workspace and equipment, District vehicles, etc.)

Please be aware that the projects listed for this position are subject to change based on the District's priorities and available time. Other specific job duties could also be assigned to fit the needs of the District.

Requirements – Qualifications

It is the applicants' responsibility to identify in their application materials how they meet the MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS listed below:

- Must be at least 18 years of age or older
- A valid Washington Driver License will be required at the time of employment and must be maintained throughout employment
- Must have a driving record that meets the requirements of the District's insurance carrier
- A recent DMV printout is required before employment
- Ability to learn and understand the duties and responsibilities of the Clark County Mosquito Control District

Physical requirements

- Moderate physical activity is required on a regular basis including lifting, reaching for, pulling, and carrying up to fifty (50) pounds
- Sitting for long periods of time while driving a vehicle
- Walking for long distances and climbing over and around natural obstacles
- Must be able to use hands and fingers to type, and grip and operate a variety of hand tools and other equipment
- Excellent vision, both close and distance
- Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.
- Possess ability to climb ladders and fences

Work environment

- The work environment varies but normally is outdoors or in a vehicle but may include warehouses, office buildings, vehicles, wetlands, fields, etc.
- Regular exposure to all types of weather is required as the position is required to work outside, exposed to high temperatures and humidity, sun, rain, and wind.
- Exposure to loud and moderate noise levels will occur on a regular basis when around a variety of other equipment, motors, etc.
- Working around chemicals, which are stored, handled, and disposed of according to labeling instructions, is required frequently.
- Exposure to moving mechanical parts, mud, fuel, fumes, and insects is required.

• Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

Pre-employment requirements

A pre-employment background check (including references and employment history) will be required. Clark County Mosquito Control District is also committed to maintaining a drug and alcohol-free workplace.

Examination and selection process

 Applicants selected for interviews will be based on a qualifying evaluation of training, education, and experience. Those candidates selected for interviews will receive an oral interview to assess training, experience, and ability to perform the duties of the position. Selection will be based on a combined overall assessment of the oral interview and the resume.

Terms of Employment

- \$20.08/hour (non-certified technician)
- Generally, from June to August depending on student's availability (end and beginning of semesters)
- Workdays/hours: Generally, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; it may include weekends or
 evenings and be adjusted for weather, virus activity, or other District needs

The Clark County Mosquito Control District is considered as an essential service to protect people and, unless otherwise specified, is operational during the COVID pandemic.

The District reserves the right to change or alter this description at its sole discretion.

This document does not create an employment contract, implied or otherwise.

All qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, or sexual orientation. Please contact the District at least five (5) working days before a scheduled interview if you require accommodation in the interview process.

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Website: https://www.ccmcd.org/careers