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Position Announcement – Science Partnership Program Manager

The Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) is pleased to accept applications for a Science Partnership Program Manager in Washington, DC. This is an exciting opportunity to work with all 50 State Fish and Wildlife Agencies, and our Federal and private partners, furthering their missions of fish and wildlife management and conservation.

Position Title: Science Partnerships Program Manager

Position Location: Washington, DC

Reports To: Director of Conservation Initiatives

Job Type: Exempt / Full-time

Position Summary: The Science Partnership Program Manager serves as the primary point of contact for the Association on conservation and management of amphibians, reptiles, bats and invasive species and facilitates national collaboration on these issues.

Duties:

- Provides staff support and assists with development and implementation of the goals of the Association's Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Committee, Bat Working Group and Invasive Species Committee.
- Serves states and partners through communication, coordination, training and network and partnership building to support conservation and management of amphibians, reptiles, bats and invasive species.
- Serves as state coordinator for Partners for Amphibian and Reptile Conservation (PARC) and provides assistance to the PARC Joint National Steering Committee and regional PARC working groups.
- Serves as a point of contact to the states, federal agencies and partners on white-nose syndrome, the North American Bat Monitoring Program (NABat), North American Bat Conservation Alliance (NABCA) and other issues and initiatives related to bat conservation.



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- Serves as a point of contact to the states, federal agencies and partners on invasive species, assists with efforts to promote the identification and management of invasive species, serves as the point of contact for implementing an MOU with the Pet Industry Advisory Council and supports engagement of state agencies in the work of the National Invasive Species Council and Invasive Species Advisory Committee.
- Coordinates and communicates with AFWA leadership and staff on relevant conservation issues, is a member of the AFWA Science Team and represents the Association at national and regional meetings.
- Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in wildlife biology/management, conservation biology, ecology, environmental science or related field required. Advanced degree preferred.
- Three or more years of experience in fish and wildlife conservation. Experience working for a state, territorial or provincial fish and wildlife agency or a demonstrated understanding of the role of state fish and wildlife agencies preferred.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills. Experience and confidence presenting in front of small and large groups. Strong interpersonal skills.
- Experience planning and facilitating meetings. Strategic and critical thinker.
- Ability to work independently and on teams in a fast-paced office environment. Demonstrated ability to coordinate multiple initiatives and to meet deadlines.
- Experience working on conservation issues at national or regional scales desirable.
- Ability to work with diverse partners including state and federal fish and wildlife and land management agencies, nongovernmental organizations, academics, industry and private



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individuals.

- Specific knowledge and experience working with amphibians, reptiles, bats and/or invasive species a plus.
- Willingness to travel outside the District of Columbia area and represent the Association at conferences, meetings and other venues (~15%-30%).

Application Process: Please email CV and cover letter (subject line *AFWA Science Partnership Position*) to arnelson@fishwildlife.org. Please include your salary expectations in cover letter – applications without salary expectations will not be considered.

Compensation and benefits: The Association offers a competitive salary commensurate with experience and job duties as well as an excellent suite of benefits including paid vacation, a retirement plan and excellent health benefits.

Application Deadline: July 19, 2019 or until filled.