**Fisheries Research Technician – Pallid sturgeon larval study**

Duration: June through August (flexibility on end date). Some weekend work required; ~40 hours/week.

Pay: $20/hour

Project description: Project will examine embryonic/larval development and behavior of pallid sturgeon in riverine simulated mesocosms at the Bozeman Fish Technology Center. Pallid sturgeon were listed as endangered in 1990 and natural recruitment to the population has not been observed for over 50 years in the upper Missouri Basin. Project will focus on early life history movement patterns and habitat use to better understand the recruitment bottleneck.

Job description: Project will be completed in a laboratory setting at the Bozeman Fish Technology Center. Technician will be responsible for taking detailed velocity measurements, helping with the construction and take down of experimental apparatus (PIT antenna arrays), taking detailed notes and video recordings of larval behavior, organizing and editing video and photos, inputting and organizing data, and taking length and weight measurements. Depending on aptitude and interest, opportunities exist for data analysis.

Qualifications:

* Willingness to follow strict standard operating procedures and safety protocols
* Ability to work independently without supervision
* Ability to sustain attention to detail for long periods
* Detail oriented
* Able to lift 50 lbs
* Familiar with Microsoft Excel
* Flexibility in scheduling

Technician will be expected to work approximately 40 hours a week depending on the needs of the project. Work schedule will be 5 days/week but may occasionally require weekend work. Preference will be given to those possessing or pursuing a degree in fisheries biology, management, ecology, or similar field. Desired but not required qualifications include experience with video editing, data organization, imageJ image processing program, data analysis, PIT antennas, and manuscript writing.

To Apply: Submit cover letter, resume, and contact information for 3 professional (academic or work) references to David Dockery at: dockery.david@gmail.com. Cover letter should be no more than 1 page long and describe your interest in the position and any relevant qualifications. Last date to apply: **May 15, 2024.**