



## Required Training

*Check all the apply to this position*

★	IT Security Training, QuickTime, General USFWS Overview
	Bear Safety
	Firearms
	Boat Safety and Operation
	Aircraft Safety( required for travel in government float planes)
X	CPR and wilderness first aid
X	ATV Training
X	Site/Job Specific (please describe): EXAMPLES: Passive integrated tag (PIT) experience, familiarity working in cold environments, experience identifying juvenile salmonids to species

## Intern Position Description

Biological Science Technician (two positions)

GS04 to GS07

**Position Title**

**GS or WG and what level?**

### DUTIES

*Please note the duties the intern will be performing*

As a **Biological Science Technician** you will:

- Assemble basic information on fish and wildlife populations and their habitat
- Capture and handle fish and wildlife using appropriate techniques for study, measurement or sampling
- Operate and maintain a variety of scientific field sampling equipment
- Work and travel safely and effectively in difficult environmental conditions

### EDUCATION LEVEL, SKILL, INTERESTS

*Please note specific skills, competencies, interests, classes selected, or other qualifications that would be useful for an intern to have in order to make a significant contribution on this project.*

These positions involve winter sampling of juvenile coho salmon in the Big Lake area. Applicants should be willing and able and experienced working in winter (below 0 degrees (F)) conditions. Applicants should be able to identify juvenile fish to species, be familiar with PIT tag technology, and have experience working on iced over lakes and rivers.

## **WORK CONDITIONS, CLOTHING GEAR**

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*Describe the work conditions (hours, dress code, environment/setting) and appropriate clothing/gear that the prospective intern should be aware of*

The intern will be expected to work 20 hours per week, the office is casual and there is no uniform. The intern should bring field clothes that they are comfortable getting dirty and warm enough in cold weather conditions. It is also recommended that the intern bring clothes, such that he/she can dress in layers. The temperature in Alaska from January to May range from -40 – 50 degrees (F) and weather can change dramatically within a day. Thus, the ability to add and remove clothes based on weather conditions is important. There are places to buy outdoor gear in Anchorage.

Cotton clothing is not recommended for field work, but is fine for Anchorage-based duties. Cotton gets wet and if it is next to the skin can rapidly remove warmth from the body. Synthetic fibers such as polypropylene, capilene, polar fleece, etc. are preferred. Wool is a good natural fiber as it keeps it's "warmth" even when wet.

The intern should have experience with ice auger and ice fishing equipment and be able to safely operate those equipment items.

FWS to Provide: Any equipment needed in the field, such as waders and all sampling equipment.