

Midwest Regional Fish and Wildlife Health Coordinator

The Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (MAFWA), is seeking applications for a Regional Wildlife Health Coordinator. This position is a collaboration with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. This is a contracted position with 3 years of initial funding. Renewal will be based on continued funding and satisfactory performance.

This position will involve working with the MAFWA states and provinces through its Fish and Wildlife Health Committee (75%) to assist with regional efforts and ensure strong communication and coordination with the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Fish and Wildlife Health Committee. This person will support the MAFWA Fish and Wildlife Health Committee by assisting the chair in coordinating meetings and agenda development; collaborate on cross-committee issues; support the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies' National Fish and Wildlife Health Initiative (NFWHI); and support the work of this committee and member agencies as needed to execute in their vision. Consultation on policy and management, development of tools, documentation of wildlife health including outbreak investigation, trainings, grant writing and other related assistance are duties of this position. This person will support the work of other region's fish and wildlife health committees and ensure open communication to the national association.

The remaining effort (25%) of this position will focus on coordinating with the Midwest CWD Initiative leads.

A Master of Science degree in Fish and Wildlife Management, or a related field (e.g., Wildlife Biology/Ecology, Veterinary Science, or Epidemiology); and one or more year of working with state wildlife agencies is required. Those with doctoral or veterinary degrees are encouraged to apply. The successful candidate must be well-versed in wildlife health issues. Strong interpersonal skills, communication skills and ability to work independently on collaborative efforts is essential. The establishment and maintenance of working relationships with state and federal agency personnel is critical. Residency within the Midwest Association Region is preferred (www.mafwa.org).

Interested persons can request more information or send application materials including a letter of intent and resume or CV to the MAFWA Fish and Wildlife Health Committee Chair, Lindsey Long (lindsey.long@wisconsin.gov, 608-219-5038). Application materials should be received by: March 27th, 2023. The anticipated start date: May 1st, 2023.

This position is a contracted position with no benefits. Travel is required and a travel budget is available. Duties are performed remotely within one of the 13 MAFWA states with contractor's own equipment. Anticipate 2080 hours per year with a pay of \$62.50/hr. (\$130,000/yr.) based on education and experience.

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