Position Description

Title: Arizona Wildlife Coordinator

Reports To: President, Arizona Wildlife Federation

About the Arizona Wildlife Federation (AWF)

The AWF is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating, inspiring, and assisting individuals and organizations to value, conserve, enhance, manage, and protect wildlife and wildlife habitat. The AWF was founded in 1923 to take the politics out of fish and game management and to promote the management of Arizona's natural resources on a scientific basis. The AWF celebrated 94 years of conservation activity in 2017. The AWF is the Arizona affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation.

Position Summary

Some of the most important fish and wildlife habitats in the state of Arizona are found on public land where intact habitat provides all the necessities for healthy populations of wild and native fish as well as trophy herds of elk, deer and other big-game animals. The Arizona Wildlife Federation is looking for a coordinator to work in Arizona to ensure that future generations have the opportunity to enjoy Arizona's fish and wildlife.

The field coordinator will work with industry, businesses, political leaders, agriculture, sportsmen, and local communities on a variety of campaigns and projects to conserve quality habitat for native fish, elk, deer, and other game animals throughout Arizona.

This position is supported through The Wyss Fellows Program. This program provides campaign experience and training for individuals who have the potential to become future conservation leaders. Fellows work at sponsoring organizations on a variety of projects and campaigns determined by the sponsoring organization during their two-year fellowship. Wyss Fellowships are ideal for talented and committed individuals just completing their education and looking to launch their career in conservation, or for those looking to make a career change. Fellows gain experience in all aspects of conservation advocacy, including policy development, grassroots and grasstops organizing, coalition building, research and writing, media and communications, and fundraising. Fellows also participate in annual week-long training programs, where they have the chance to meet and learn about other Wyss Fellows' work.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Grassroots organizing with local and state hunters/anglers, organizations, local businesses and community leaders.
- Working with the AWF Board, conservation organizations, elected officials and state and federal land management agencies.
- Helping lead a collaborative effort to maintain and protect important fish and wildlife habitats in Arizona.

- Working with sportsmen's organizations, and others, to advocate against public land seizure.
- Advancing a sportsmen's vision for public land management through ongoing national forest planning processes and other place-based campaigns.
- Working to ensure that the Salazar mineral withdrawal around the Grand Canyon remains in effect.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's or advanced degree or equivalent professional experience.
- No more than 2 years professional conservation experience.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to work independently and be a team player.
- Knowledge of Arizona public land and wildlife conservation issues.
- Experience in developing and leading advocacy oriented campaigns preferred.
- Positive attitude with energy and willingness to do what it takes to get the job done.
- Passion for protecting and restoring coldwater fisheries.
- Proficient in Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook and social media
- Strong inter-personal skills.
- Avid angler/hunter/wildlife enthusiast a plus.
- Strong organizational and time management skills with attention to detail.
- Preferred location is Phoenix, Arizona though other locations in state will be considered.

How to Apply

 Please send a letter of interest and resume by November 1 to Brad Powell, <u>President@Azwildlife.org</u>

This is not an all-inclusive list of duties and responsibilities.

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