

## Job Description

Job Title: Restoration Ecologist

Department: River Partners-Chico Office

Reports to: Sacramento Valley Regional Director

Organizational  
Summary:

River Partners is a private, nonprofit corporation located in Chico, California. River Partners' mission is to create wildlife habitat for the benefit of people and the environment.

Position:

The Restoration Ecologist works with the Senior Restoration Ecologist to analyze monitoring data, write reports, set up experiments, interact with agency staff and research scientists, and assist with other activities related to the restoration of riparian and aquatic habitats. The Restoration Ecologist also provides input on new business development including but not limited to identification of new project opportunities, permitting application and oversight as well as assisting in proposal preparation. The position will be based in our office in Chico.

Duties:

Key responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Management of all project monitoring and reporting activities in the San Joaquin region
- Develop data collection and monitoring systems, experimental protocols and supervise / manage these activities on an ongoing basis
- Work with public and private sector biology, ecology, engineering and other professional staff to efficiently manage project implementation
- Develop and deliver presentations to the scientific community, government agencies and the public
- Manage permitting activities with local, state and federal agencies
- Work with River Partner's Development Director to organize and implement public outreach activities
- Work in concert with Director of Field Operations to plan and implement restoration project activities
- Develop forecasts of annual plant material needs throughout the region
- Plan and manage collection and maintain the inventory of native plant material
- Complete annual reports and sections of other documents

- Develop and maintains databases, and analyzes data
- Reviews documents and supervises their production
- Supervise and train full-time biology and ecology staff, part-time and temporary staff and consults.
- Develop and maintain good relations with River Partners staff, agency personnel and neighbors
- Work with Regional Director to identify new project opportunities
- Provide input on new project development relative to biology and project planning
- Oversees project operations that require a field biologist
- Works long hours and/or weekends in a variety of field conditions and must be willing to travel within the state.
- Other duties as required.

#### Skills &

#### Qualifications:

The successful candidate should:

- Creatively solve problems and learn new skills.
- Effectively communicate complicated biological findings orally and in writing.
- Posses excellent editing and writing skills, and have experience with document production.
- Demonstrate good organizational skills and ability to work under multiple deadlines.
- Possess knowledge of California plants, riparian ecology, hydrology, soils, and/or wildlife.
- Effectively use word processing, spreadsheet, and other programs.
- Have experience with MS Access or other relational database programs.
- Understand effective use of GIS information.
- Demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of statistics, experimental design, and data collection.
- Able to communicate in basic Spanish preferred, but not required.

#### Education and/or

#### Experience:

M.S. or PhD. in biology, ecology, environmental science, or related science and at least three years of progressively responsible work experience in an appropriate field. Successful candidates must possess a valid California Drivers license with no restrictions and be able to lift 70 pounds.

#### Term:

The position is an at-will position.