**Fisheries Field Technician**

Bozeman, Montana

**Agency:** Montana State University

**Location:** Bozeman, MT

**Job Category:** Temporary/Seasonal Position

**When:** May-July 2025

**Salary:** Starting at $16 per hour

**Description:** The Montana Cooperative Fishery Research Unit and the Montana State University Department of Ecology are seeking a field technician for the Spring/Summer of 2025 to assist with a graduate research project on the effects of snag and release angling on paddlefish in the Missouri River above Fort Peck Reservoir, Montana. The successful candidate will assist with hook and line sampling, trammel net sampling, recording data, tracking paddlefish via radio telemetry equipment, backing boat trailers, and monitoring remote camera traps. The start date for this position is flexible, but the preferred start date is May 1, 2025. This position is funded for up to three months. We will be located near Lewistown, MT, and lodging (i.e., a camper trailer with electricity) will be provided at no cost. This position offers a phenomenal opportunity to gain experience in fisheries research while working with various agencies and professionals.

**Qualification:** This position requires possession of a valid U.S. driver’s license. Suitable candidates must be comfortable working in inclement weather with shifts that exceed eight hours. Previous experience with jet boats and/or fisheries work will be considered. Suitable candidates will demonstrate an interest in fisheries research and management.

**Application Process:** Email a curriculum vitae, a cover letter describing your qualifications and interests in the position, and the contact information of three professional references in a single .pdf document titled “Firstname\_Lastname.pdf” (e.g., Kelson\_Hickman.pdf) to Kelson Hickman (kelson.hickman@montana.edu). Applications will be reviewed immediately, and the position will remain open until it is filled.

A fish with a long beak

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