

Tribal Government

Native Village of Eklutna (NVE) is seeking qualified applicants for the following position:

Title: Part-time Environmental Technician

Department: Land and Environment

Reports to: Land and Environment Director or

designee

Wage: \$22.00/hour, 8 to 16 hours per week, up to

13 weeks

Duration: Mid-August 2025 – November 2025

Applicant Deadline: July 31st, 2025, by midnight

Position Summary:

The Native Village of Eklutna (NVE) is seeking a part-time Environmental Technician to assist the Land and Environment Department with habitat and salmon surveys along the Eklutna River. This position involves a combination of fieldwork and data management, including minnow trapping, DNA collection, water quality and temperature testing from the river to the inlet mouth, and salmon spawning surveys during seasonal runs. The role is physically demanding, requiring walking up to 8 miles per day, wading in fast-moving water to collect habitat data and count fish, and carrying equipment weighing up to 40 pounds.

Fieldwork will be conducted in bear and moose habitat, with exposure to biting insects and varying weather conditions. Most work will occur during normal daylight hours and may involve the use of UTVs for site access. The technician will work closely with NVE Land and Environment staff and must strictly adhere to all safety protocols. This is a parttime, seasonal position limited to a maximum of 250 hours. For questions or to apply, please contact nvelez@eklutna.org.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Knowledge of aquatic ecosystems and fish identification or willingness to learn
- Physically able to perform the duties as required

- Wilderness experience preferred, especially bear safety.
- High school diploma or equivalent; college education preferred
- Knowledge of Tribal and Traditional customs preferred.
- Applicants must be self-motivated and able to work with minimal supervision.
- Must be personable, friendly and dependable.
- Must be able to operate an UTV
- Must be able to work individually and as a member of a team.
- Must be able to prioritize and balance multiple tasks.
- Excellent oral and written communication, and computer skills are required such as word, excel.
- Must be 18 or older to apply.

Workplace Environment

Place of employment to be located at 26339 Eklutna Village Road, Chugiak, Alaska 99567, and in the field. Work hours will vary depending on the duties of the job. Office hours are 9am-5pm M-F. Occasional longer workdays may be needed.

REQUIRED: All applicants who will be working with Native families and children must pass a State of Alaska and Federal Criminal background check and possess a valid Alaska Driver's license with a good driving record and proof of insurance upon hire. A State of Alaska Interested Persons background check will be required at the time of hire.

NATIVE PREFERENCE STATEMENT: Pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (PL 93-638) and as further guided by NVE's Native Preference Policy 6.120, NVE maintains preference in all phases of employment for Alaska Native, American Indian (AN/AI) and Native Hawaiian people, including direct lineal descendants and foster or traditionally adopted children. Also included are non-Native head of household members for Native families, which includes foster or traditionally adopted Native children.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please send resume, cover letter, and contact information of three references to nvelez@eklutna.org or mail/in person to: Attn: NVE Land and Environment Department, 26339 Eklutna Village Road, Chugiak, AK 99567