Scott Walters

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Work Experience

Wetland & Wildlife Ecologist, Wetland Resources Inc. Everett, WA 6/2014 – Current Perform field surveys to assess wildlife habitat, delineate and rate wetlands, monitor mitigation sites, and evaluate streams. Create various reports including wetland delineation reports, wildlife habitat assessments, critical area studies, and biological evaluations. Work with clients to recommend development strategies that avoid and minimize impacts to critical areas in an economically feasible manner that meets the needs of the community. Design mitigation plans to protect, restore, and enhance functions and values of environmentally sensitive areas.

Research Technician, Benaroya Research Institute Seattle, WA 10/2011 – 6/2013 Managed a colony of zebrafish. Duties included supervising and training individuals in animal husbandry, maintaining & ordering supplies, and overseeing updates to the zebrafish facility. Additionally, performed various molecular biology techniques.

Avian Field Technician, Texas A&M University Gatesville, TX 3/2011 - 6/2011 Performed habitat surveys to locate and observe nesting activity of endangered bird species. Took detailed field notes, used GPS units to map territories, executed point counts, and helped to update and maintain several databases for scientific analysis.

Aquarist Intern, The Seas at Disney's Epcot Buena Vista, FL 6/2010 - 1/2011 Assisted in the daily care and maintenance of aquatic animals in large and small systems. Administered feedings, trained animals, and monitored fish health. Maintained holding & quarantine systems, prepared food, performed chemistry analysis, and kept precise records.

Research Aquarist, Oregon State University Newport, OR 5/2009 – 5/2010 Assisted in Round Ray research that included life support system maintenance and cleaning, daily feedings, precise record-keeping, and necropsies.

Bat Field Technician, Clemson University Congaree Park, SC 5/2007 - 8/2007 Assisted in Rafinesque's Big-Eared Bat research that included telemetry tracking, triangulation, attaching radio transceivers, GIS, vegetation surveys, DNA sampling, and taking physical measurements of mist-netted animals.

Plant Nursery Worker, Capitol Nursery Sacramento, CA 10/2003 - 6/2005 Tended annual, perennial, ground cover, and vegetable sections. Assisted customers, took inventory, stocked plants, and worked in green houses.

Education

B.S. degree in Wildlife Biology (conservation biology & applied vertebrate ecology emphasis), Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA. 3.6 GPA. December 2008.

Aquarium Science Program - 1 year certificate, Oregon Coast Community College, Newport, OR. 4.0 GPA. June 2010

Wetland Science & Management – 1 year certificate, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. 4.0 GPA. Currently in courses, to be completed June 5th, 2014.

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Volunteer Experience

Practicum Student, Oregon Hatchery Research Center Alsea, OR 3/2010 – 5/2010 Calculated growth rates, worked with rotary screw traps, identified fish species, performed medical treatments, cleaned systems, and fed animals.

Exotic Animal Caretaker, Brad's World Reptiles Corvallis, OR 3/2010 – 5/2010 Provided care for reptiles, amphibians, and crocodilians.

Aquarium Volunteer, Oregon Coast Aquarium Newport, OR 10/2009 – 4/2010 Assisted in the care of fish and invertebrates, calculated & prepared medical treatments, cleaned tanks, and administered feedings.

Bird Surveyor, Humboldt State University Arcata, CA 5/2006 - 8/2006 Surveyed Western Snowy Plovers in the Humboldt Bay Area, identified individuals by color bands, and checked nests for survival.

Research Projects

"Report on Beaver Mediated Change to the Wetland Environment at Chinook Bend", Practicum project completed for Wetland Science & Management Program.

"GIS Analysis of *Arborimus pomo* Nest Selection Factors", Honors Thesis project completed for Dr. Matthew Johnson, HSU, Dec. 2008

"Effects of Tide Cycles on the Foraging Behavior of Marbled Godwits and American Avocets", Project completed for Wildlife Ethology class, Nov. 2008

Special Qualifications

Equipment/Techniques - Experience with 4WD vehicles, GPS, radio telemetry, mist nets, territory mapping, bird identification, nest searching, nest cameras, bat surveying equipment, PIT tagging, small mammal traps, and preparation of mammal study skins.

Bird banding certification - Completed April 2012 with Rocky Point Bird Observatory.

Computer skills - GIS applications, Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, familiar with both Mac and PC environments, and Minitab statistical software.

Advanced SCUBA certification - Completed October 2011.

SHARKS Scholarship award for Aquarium Science students - \$9800

References

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