The Department of Ecology at Montana State University is seeking creel clerk field technicians for the spring (March – May) of 2025 to assist with high-profile data collection on blue ribbon trout streams (e.g., Big Hole, Beaverhead, Ruby, Madison, Yellowstone rivers) in southwest Montana. Successful candidates will assist with recreational usage data collection that supports an integrated and collaborative research project between the Department of Ecology at Montana State University, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department, and the USGS Cooperative Fishery Research Unit at Montana State University investigating mechanisms associated with trout population declines in social-ecological systems. Field work will include driving, administering surveys to recreationists, collecting passive survey returns, and data entry. Schedules will vary but aim to be flexible and accommodate class schedules. These positions are a phenomenal opportunity to gain valuable fisheries, human dimensions, and conservation-oriented experience.

Suitable candidates will demonstrate an interest in ecological and/or conservation related research and be able to work hard in challenging conditions (e.g., long drive times and distances). Previous experience will be considered. The positions will require being located in Bozeman, MT, and a willingness to work long hours, drive long distances, and operate automobiles at low visibility times (e.g., dawn, dusk). Field vehicles will be provided at no cost to the employee. These positions are flexibles contract starting and ending at your discretion to accommodate graduation, summer positions, etc. at a starting pay rate of $16.34 /hr. Successful candidates can expect to gain experience in fisheries and conservation research and data collection.

**To apply, please send a resume or curriculum vitae, and short description of your interest in these position as well as relevant qualifications in a single .pdf document titled “Firstname\_Lastname.pdf” (e.g., Julia\_Mello.pdf) to Julia Mello (**[**julia.mello@montana.edu**](mailto:julia.mello@montana.edu)**). Review of applicants will begin immediately and remain open until positions are filled.**