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Ranger Biodiversity (Freshwater)

Location	Renwick, South Marlborough District
Dates of Employment	December 2026 to May 2027
Salary	Salary range based on skills and experience is \$65,590 - \$76,589

Mō te tūranga | About the role

As a Ranger Biodiversity based in Renwick, this role is primarily focused on freshwater conservation work. The summer work involves a range of projects focused on freshwater fish, freshwater biosecurity, and the health of rivers, streams, lakes, and wetlands. This role will be based in Renwick as part of the South Marlborough District Team and working across the region in three DOC districts (Sounds, South Marlborough and Nelson Lakes), giving a diverse and sometimes complex work programme.

You will assist with planning and delivering freshwater conservation work, including fish surveys, biodiversity monitoring, habitat restoration, and freshwater pest surveillance. The role also includes community engagement and promoting the Clean, Check, Dry message to help prevent the spread of freshwater pests.

Key Tasks

- Undertake freshwater fish surveys, monitoring, and field assessments
- Assist with habitat restoration activities to improve freshwater ecosystems
- Work safely in rivers, streams, wetlands, and remote field locations
- Conduct freshwater pest surveillance and support biosecurity initiatives
- Can identify some freshwater species or is willing to develop their knowledge and skills
- Contributing to the development and review of operational work plans and priorities
- Working collaboratively with local government, Treaty Partners, community groups, landowners and other stakeholders

Ngā pūkenga me ngā wheako | Skills and experience

- Has an interest in freshwater ecosystems, biosecurity, and native fish conservation.
- Freshwater monitoring or conservation experience is desirable.
- Can build and maintain positive working relationships with a range of stakeholders.
- Is organised and able to plan, prioritise and deliver work programmes.
- Can work independently while contributing positively to a team environment.
- Has sound judgement and problem-solving skills.
- Is comfortable managing competing priorities and adapting to changing work demands.
- Communicates effectively, both verbally and in writing.
- Is motivated to contribute to meaningful conservation outcomes.
- Competence using technology, including Microsoft Office and booking/reporting systems
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Current First Aid certificate
- Full New Zealand driver's licence

Mō te tīma | About the team/Location

This role will be based in Renwick as part of the South Marlborough District Team. The South Marlborough District stretches from the Richmond Ranges in the north to Kaikōura in the south and includes all of Molesworth Recreation Reserve.

Renwick is located 10 minutes' drive from Blenheim and is in the heart of wine country. Renwick is the perfect base to explore some of the most fantastic parts of the South Island with the Marlborough Sounds, Nelson Lakes National Park and Kaikoura all within a few hours' drive.

Additional Information

Roster: Includes weekends and public holidays; flexible hours required. Flexibility required to cover staff leave and peak periods

Accommodation: Shared DOC accommodation may be available (market rent applies)

Number of positions: 1

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