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### **Job Opportunity: Research Department Seasonal/Intern**

Collier Mosquito Control District is hiring! We're looking for a seasonal/intern to work in our Research Department. Successful candidates will join a passionate, hardworking team dedicated to protecting public health and advancing the science of mosquito control. If you like getting your hands dirty and are excited about performing operational research that has immediate, real-world impact, this is the opportunity for you.

**The position:** As a seasonal/intern at the District, you'll assist with research studies and mosquito surveillance activities to inform and improve District operations. This will involve a combination of field and laboratory work, including adult trapping, larval sampling, mosquito identification, data entry and other operational and research tasks as necessary. You'll learn about the principles of integrated mosquito management, mosquito trapping and surveillance, pesticide resistance, mosquito biology, disease surveillance and taxonomy. You'll also have the opportunity to obtain a Public Health Applicators License. This is an ideal position for recent grads or students interested in pursuing senior research related to mosquito control.

This is a 40 hour/week temporary position that will begin in April of 2022. While the majority of your work will be completed between 7:30am and 4:00pm, occasional morning or evening work may be required. A housing stipend may be available for visiting students.

**The District:** Collier Mosquito Control District encompasses 401 square miles in beautiful southwest Florida between Everglades National Park and the Gulf of Mexico. The District currently employs approximately 50 people at our primary office location in Naples and a satellite office in Immokalee. We practice integrated mosquito management, so every decision we make is based on scientific analysis of a range of environmental and mosquito surveillance data. District highlights include a network of automated mosquito traps, a fully equipped laboratory with onsite disease testing capabilities, an aerial fleet with both fixed-wing and rotary aircraft, a cutting-edge drone program and a *Gambusia* fish distribution program.

#### **Requirements:**

- Coursework or experience in the natural sciences, biology, public health or related fields
- Florida driver's license and clean driving record
- Basic computer skills including familiarity with Word and Excel
- Ability to work outdoors under challenging conditions (high temperatures and humidity, swampy terrain, biting insects)
- Ability and willingness to learn and execute new skills quickly and efficiently

**To apply:** Send your resume and a cover letter to Dr. Rebecca Heinig ([rheinig@cmcd.org](mailto:rheinig@cmcd.org)) no later than March 4, 2022.