



JOB OPENING—Consultant/Senior Ecologist

Location: Galway

Salary Description: Competitive + benefits and bonus

Start Date: ASAP

Neo Environmental, an award-winning planning and environmental consultancy, have an exciting opportunity for a Senior level Ecologist to work on a broad variety of projects, with the main focus on renewables. The positions will offer the right individuals the opportunity to work for a well-established and growing planning and environmental consultancy.

The successful candidate will work on a wide variety of projects, with the main focus on renewable energy developments. You will be given plenty of opportunity to develop your skills and expertise through ongoing mentoring and training in a friendly environment. The ideal candidates will be able to work with a high degree of independence as well as in teams.

Duties

- Undertaking ecological surveys including:
 - Phase 1 / Fossitt habitat survey and IVCs
 - Protected species scoping surveys
 - Bat surveys
- Producing comprehensive reports including:
 - Preliminary ecological appraisals
 - Ecological impact assessments
 - EIA chapters
 - Biodiversity management plans
 - Protected species
 - Appropriate Assessments/ Natural Impact Statements
- Liaising with clients and statutory consultees
- Attending client and site meetings
- Undertaking ECoW role where required

Essential Criteria

- Degree in ecology or similar
- Significant professional report writing experience
- Good knowledge of Irish ecological legislation and regulations
- Experience of phase 1 / Fossitt habitat surveys & IVCs
- Technically competent
- The successful candidate will be required to produce reports for clients and so attention to detail, reliability, and good organisational skills are essential
- Must be flexible and willing to travel across NI and ROI, with occasional overnight stays away from home
- Full driving license and own transport

Desirable Criteria

- CIEEM accredited
- Demonstrable post graduate experience in ecology surveys
- Ornithology experience would be advantageous
- Bat survey experience
- GWDTE experience
- Ecological Clerks of Works (ECoW) experience
- Knowledge or experience using ArcGIS or similar
- Other protected species survey experience