



WYRE RIVERS TRUST
“from Bowland to Bay”

Job Title	Data and Evidence Officer
Salary	£26,560 - £28,773
Benefits	Stakeholder pension scheme (9% employer, 6% employee) Life assurance scheme Flexible working Laptop and phone provided Mileage at 0.45p per mile
Hours	Full-time. Fixed term until end of 2025. Extensions beyond this is subject to funding.

The Rivers Trust is a leading environmental charity and the umbrella body of The Rivers Trust movement, comprising over 60 independent local charities. Our vision is for wild, healthy, natural rivers, valued by all. We are at a critical point in our history as we expand to deliver projects to protect and replenish this critical part of the natural environment, and our research and expertise is now needed more urgently than ever as water supply and quality move up the public agenda.

In collaboration with The Rivers Trust, we are looking for a Data and Evidence Officer to play a pivotal role in the new North West Farm Hub project. The project contributes to United Utilities wider commitment, Better Rivers: Better North West. The project aims to create a structured and targeted agricultural network across the North West. This network will help The Rivers Trust movement collaborate with farmers to ensure productive agriculture and healthy rivers co-exist.

The Data and Evidence Officer will support over 10 farm cluster groups and their associated local River Trusts in identifying their data collection needs. This is to provide ecosystem service analysis, including but not limited to: Water Stewardship, Biodiversity, Carbon, and Natural Flood Management. Upskilling local River Trusts in data collection via online and in-person training will be required as well as disseminating and sharing learning with the North West Farm Hub. They will also co-ordinate with The Rivers Trust and assist with any reporting requirements.

This position will be hosted by Wyre Rivers Trust and the successful candidate will be considered a Wyre Rivers Trust member of staff, despite funding for the role coming from multiple organisations. Hybrid working arrangements apply as you will be expected to travel around the North West on occasion to assist and network with other member trusts involved in the project (Eden, West Cumbria, South Cumbria, Lune, Ribble, Mersey), this will likely be required 1-3 days per month.

To apply for the role please send a completed application form, covering letter and CV to tom@wyreriverstrust.org by Monday 24th July 2023.

Criteria for employment

Essential:

- Proven communication and networking skills.
- Ability to work with uncertainty, plan adaptively and work at pace.
- Evidence of working in cross-functional teams to achieve the best possible outcomes.
- Evidence of strong partnership working across multiple stakeholder organisations.
- GIS mapping and analysis.
- Data management, licencing datasets and workspaces.
- Experience of effectively prioritising and delivering work.
- A basic understanding of the following areas with practical experience in at least two of them:
 - Nutrient neutrality.
 - Biodiversity net gain analysis.
 - Soil and carbon measurements.
 - Ecosystem service analysis/quantification.
 - Farm-level priority mapping.
 - Diffuse pollution modelling (such as Farmscoper analysis).
 - Interpretation of data into practical format for farmers.
 - Working with soil and pinpoint databases

Desirable but not essential:

- A strong commitment to the restoration of the water environment and a good understanding of agricultural issues related to the environment.
- Experience of facilitating training programmes.
- Experience with citizen science
- Planning and project management skills.

Anyone we appoint is expected to support policies on EDI, Health & Safety, IT, GDPR and contribute to a respectful and inclusive working culture.

If you have any questions which aren't answered on our website or in this job description, please contact Vincent Riozzi at vincent.riozzi@therivertrust.org or Thomas Myerscough at tom@wyreverivertrust.org

Closing date: Monday 24th July 2023

Interviews are planned for week commencing 7th August and will be held in-person in Scorton, Lancashire.