

NOAA INTERNAL JOB OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-COMPETITIVE REASSIGNMENT

Open Period: 08/19/2016 - 08/26/2016

Title, Series, Band/Grade: Economist, ZP-0110-04

Duty Station: One position will be filled in one of the following duty stations: Silver Spring, MD; Woods Hole, MA; Seattle, WA; San Diego, CA; Santa Cruz, CA; Miami, FL

Who May Apply/Area of Consideration: Current NOAA employees at the (1) ZP Pay Band 4; or (2) GS-13 grade level or higher.

Relocation: Relocation expenses **are** authorized for **moves to Silver Spring, MD only.**

Security Level: Low Risk

Background: This position is with NOAA Fisheries Office of Science & Technology, Economics & Social Analysis Division, Commercial Fisheries Economics Program in Silver Spring, MD. The Economics & Social Analysis Division conducts data collection and research that supports the sustainable management of fishery resources, the health of marine ecosystems, and the sustained participation of fishing communities. In addition, it oversees and coordinates the Agency's Economics & Human Dimensions Program. The Commercial Fisheries Economics Program oversees the regional NMFS Science Center commercial fisheries economic data collection and research activities and also conducts (national) surveys and research. More information on the Office of Science & Technology is available on its [website](#).

Duties:

- Review and approve regional commercial fisheries economic data collection plans.
- Maintain an inventory of commercial fisheries economic data collection, which is used to prioritize data collection funding decisions made annually through the RFP process.
- With Science and Technology staff, oversee national effort to develop and implement economic indicators to track the performance of catch share and non-catch share fisheries.
- Conduct fisheries economic research and quantitative analyses, including writing technical reports and journal articles.
- Plan, design and implement surveys of commercial fishermen.
- Provides expert review and cross-NMFS coordination on behavioral considerations that should be addressed by ecosystem based fisheries management and aids development of integrated approaches for fisheries management.
- Communicates effectively with fisheries economists, non-economist scientists, senior management, state partners, and stakeholders.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs):

- Advanced knowledge of economic theory and principles, particularly those related to renewable natural resources and common property resources.
- The ability to oversee and advance a national economic data collection program.
- Knowledge of social and economic indicators.
- Skill in conducting economic research and quantitative analysis that assesses fishery performance and/or welfare effects from regulations or other factors on fishermen and/or fishing communities.
- Knowledge and ability to conduct economic surveys.
- The ability to build working relationships with economists and non-economist scientists to advance integrated ecosystem assessments.
- The ability to present results of scientific or policy analyses in oral presentations to a variety of audiences, including economists, non-economist scientists and senior management as well as stakeholders and the general public.
- The ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously, setting priorities among competing work, and to balance working under pressure to meet deadlines of multiple projects simultaneously.

Educational Qualifications: There is a positive education requirement for this position. The qualification requirements in the Reassignment Opportunity Notice are based on the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Qualification Standards Handbook, which contains federal qualification standards. This handbook is available on the Office of Personnel Management's website located at: <http://www.opm.gov/qualifications>.

To qualify for this position, applicants must meet both the basic requirement AND minimum qualifications.

Education Requirements: To qualify for this position, applicants must meet the basic requirement in one of the following ways:

A. Degree: economics, that included at least 21 semester hours in economics and 3 semester hours in statistics, accounting, or calculus.

OR

B. Combination of education and experience: courses equivalent to a major in economics, as shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education.

AND

Applicants must possess the specialized experience equivalent in difficulty and responsibility to the position being filled. Specialized experience is experience that has equipped the applicant with the particular competencies/knowledge, skills and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position.

Experience Requirements: In addition, you must meet the minimum qualifications for the ZP-0110-4:

One year of specialized experience equivalent to the ZP-04 or GS-13/14 for this position includes all of the following:

- Conducting quantitative economic analyses of fishery management issues;
- Writing technical reports and scientific manuscripts / journal articles; and
- Presenting technical material to a variety of audiences including fisheries economists, non-economist scientists, senior management, and stakeholders.

How to Apply: E-mail your resume with a cover letter which includes a statement of interest and a brief description of your qualifications as they relate to this reassignment opportunity notice to: Rita.Curtis@noaa.gov.

****Do not send personally identifiable information (PII) to this email account.****

NOTE: *Any PII information should be sent using DOC's approved Accellion Secure File Transfer program – found at <https://sft2.doc.gov/>

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