

Fisheries Habitat Restoration Specialists National Marine Fisheries Service Restoration Center Regional and Headquarter Locations

I.M. Systems Group, Inc. (IMSG) www.imsg.com is seeking Fisheries Habitat Restoration Specialists to work at The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Restoration Center (RC) to provide technical and project management support for habitat restoration projects in coastal states funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The restoration specialists may be based in any number of NOAA facilities including Narragansett, RI, Gloucester, MA, Sandy Hook, NJ, Annapolis, MD, Ann Arbor, MI, St. Petersburg, FL, Galveston, TX, Charleston, SC, Mobile, AL, Santa Rosa, CA, Arcata, CA, Long Beach, CA, Seattle, WA, Portland, OR, Honolulu, HI, Anchorage, AK, San Juan, Puerto Rico and Silver Spring MD. Restoration Specialists will serve under the direction of a Restoration Center Regional or headquarters-based Program Supervisor. The successful candidate will work under an annually renewable contract (subject to the availability of funding) with NOAA likely to last for a minimum of 2 years except for Mobile, AL will be longer term. For more information about the Restoration Center, please visit the web site at: http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/

Responsibilities:

- Provide project management, technical oversight and scientific expertise to support NOAA's restoration activities funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which will provide funding nationwide for habitat restoration projects benefiting living marine resources. Projects funded through the Stimulus Package may involve restoration of marine shorelines, tidal and freshwater wetlands, anadromous fish passage (dam removals and fish ladders), riparian/riverine habitats, shellfish, and coral reef
- Provide technical expertise to funding recipients in the implementation, oversight, and evaluation of individual projects including field investigations (including site evaluation and baseline assessments), reviewing modeling reports and engineering plans, monitoring project scopes of work, evaluation of design and construction plans, construction oversight and post-construction evaluations
- Assist with Federal regulatory compliance (e.g. NEPA, and ESA compliance) and assist funding recipients with Federal, state, and local regulatory compliance
- Assist with public outreach on the progress and outcomes of funded projects
- Review and process grant applications through NOAA's Grants Online electronic management systems, and work cooperatively with field staff to monitor project progress and maintain projects on schedule
- Monitor project budget expenditures in addition to providing periodic reports on project progress and budget
- Close interaction with various components of NOAA, other federal, state and local government agencies, academic institutions, and non-profit organizations will be an important responsibility.

Requirements:

Note: Headquarters versus field-based positions require a different balance of skills amongst the following overall list of desired qualifications:

- Knowledge of coastal and riverine ecosystems of a particular U.S. region (Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, Gulf of Mexico, Northwest, Southwest, Hawaiian Islands, Alaska, or Caribbean) and life histories and habitat requirements of fish and shellfish within that region
- Strong background in wetland and/or river/anadromous fish restoration and resource management
- Technical skills in fish passage, geomorphology, hydrology/hydraulics, wetland ecology, or fisheries biology
- Strong project management skills including project scheduling, budgeting, contract and/or grants management, and ability to handle multiple, concurrent, and competing projects and responsibilities
- Strong oral and written communication skills, including the ability to communicate clearly with non-scientists
- Experience with state and federal regulatory processes
- Experience working on interdisciplinary teams
- Willingness for occasional travel within a region is required
- All applicants must be U.S. Citizens or permanent resident aliens from U.S. colleges or universities

Education Requirements:

 Candidates should possess a Masters degree or a Bachelor's degree with equivalent experience in one of the marine or aquatic sciences, fishery biology, ecology, hydrology, water resources, earth science, engineering, marine policy or a related field

To Apply:

Please indicate the location(s) that you are interested in along with your resume, a cover letter describing how your qualifications fulfill the requirements of the position and the contact information for three (3) references to jobs@imsg.com with the following subject heading: NOA09010–Fisheries Habitat Restoration Specialists.

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