

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

Managing Fishery Resources in the U.S. Federal Waters of the Gulf of Mexico

RECRUITMENT ANNOUCEMENT

Date: March 29, 2024

Title: Fishery Biologist

Location: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

4107 West Spruce Street, Suite 200

Tampa, Florida 33607 USA

Responsibilities: The Council is seeking to hire a *Fishery Biologist* who will be under the direct supervision of the Deputy Executive Director. This position does not involve field work. The primary responsibility of this position is marine policy and includes the development of fishery management plans and amendments to those plans, environmental impact statements, framework actions, scoping documents, and presentations. This position will also be responsible for reviewing and providing input on public information materials including press releases and public hearing guides, as assigned. Other responsibilities include identifying and characterizing relevant biological and fishery data useful for analyzing management actions in fisheries management plans through available sources, such as National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), state and university laboratories, and other agencies or institutions. This is a forward-facing position with several opportunities to interact with a broad range of stakeholders on behalf of the Council. The work requires travel throughout the Gulf of Mexico and elsewhere as needed, to attend Council meetings and other related meetings such as Scientific and Statistical Committee, stock assessment, and Advisory Panel meetings.

Qualifications: Minimally, a Master's degree from an accredited college or university with major study and research emphasis in the field of marine fisheries biology, marine resource management, environmental sciences, population dynamics, or equivalent. The individual should also have strong oral and written communication skills to interact with the general public, other staff, federal and state agency employees, and Council members.

Preference will be given for knowledge of Gulf of Mexico fishery management systems, fisheries biology/ecology and benthic habitats as well as demonstrated proficiency in technical writing, knowledge of stock assessment modeling, and experience with large data sets.

Salary Range: This is a non-federal full time position with benefits. Starting salary range GS-11/12 equivalent (\$72,553/\$86,962) commensurate with education (M.S. or Ph.D.), years of experience, and qualifications.

Closing Date: Extended to April 19, 2024 (or until filled)

How to apply: Send a cover letter, a complete resume/CV, professional writing samples, contact information for three references, and relevant certifications to:

By regular mail:
Dr. Carrie Simmons
Executive Director
Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council
4107 West Spruce Street, Suite 200
Tampa, Florida 33607

By email sent to:
Biologist@gulfcouncil.org

What to Expect Next: After all application packages have been received, we will review your

resume and other application documentation. Additional materials or technical requests may be asked of the top candidates prior to an interview. A copy of the full job description is available upon request.

Reasonable

Accommodations: This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with

disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-

case basis.

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