



# New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Notice of Vacancy

Filling of this position is contingent upon further approval process

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**Title:** Senior Biologist - Fisheries

**Posting Number:** NHRDFW-2021-26

**Open to:** Division-Wide

**Workweek:** NE (35-hour) Workweek

**Salary:** (P22) \$58,354.29 — \$82,690.29

**Opening Date:** 10/19/2021

**Closing Date:** 11/2/2021

**Existing Vacancies:** Three (3)

**Program/Location:** Department of Environmental Protection  
Natural & Historic Resources  
Fish and Wildlife  
MFA-Bureau of Marine Fisheries  
360 N. New York Road  
Port Republic, NJ 08241

**Scope of Eligibility:** Open to permanent employees in a competitive title in the Division of Fish and Wildlife, who meet the requirements below.

**Description:** Under the limited supervision of a Principal Biologist, Fisheries or other supervisory official in the Department of Environmental Protection, takes the lead in performing the more complex/difficult work relating to biological research and data analysis, environmental impact reviews, and the development of marine and freshwater fisheries management programs; does other related duties as required.

**Specific to the Position:** Will serve as coordinator of one of the Bureau's major initiatives, such as biological sample collection and fish aging, predator/prey and food habits sampling, or striped bass tagging and striped bass bonus program; participates as crew member in surveys and data collection programs; performs routine and specialized data analyses, and prepares summary reports; represents the state at ASMFC and other intra- or interstate meetings; provides technical support to the NJ Marine Fisheries Council; serves as liaison to stakeholders and interested parties through outreach, public hearings, etc.; other duties to support Bureau operations. Candidate must possess or be able to obtain a USCG Safe Vessel Certification.

**Preferred Skill Set:** Marine Science degree preferred; familiarity with NJ's common marine fish/shellfish species, commercial and recreational fisheries, and marine fisheries management; familiarity with Federal/State statutes and regulations pertaining to fisheries resources and management; experience with sampling gear; ability to lead crews; experience collecting and processing biological samples with emphasis on fish aging techniques; ability to represent the Bureau at various inter- and intrastate meetings regarding fisheries/fisheries resources.

## Requirements

**Education:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree in one of the Biological Sciences, Natural Resource Management, or Environmental Science with a major concentration in Fisheries Science and/or Wildlife Science. NOTE: All U.S. degrees and transcripts must be from an accredited college or university. All foreign degrees and transcripts must be evaluated for accreditation by a recognized evaluation service by the closing date of this posting. Failure to provide documentation may result in ineligibility.

**Experience:** Two (2) years of experience in fisheries biology, fisheries management, fisheries husbandry, fisheries research, and/or the development of fisheries management programs. NOTE: A Master's degree in Fisheries Management or a related field may be substituted for one (1) year of experience.

**License:** Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.

**Residency:** All persons newly hired on or after September 1, 2011 have one year from the date of employment to establish, and then maintain principal residence in the State of New Jersey subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L.2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act".

**Authorization to Work:** Selected candidates must be authorized to work in the United States per the Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services regulations. **Note:** The State of New Jersey does not provide sponsorship for citizenship to the United States.

**Note:** Interviews will be granted based on the cover letter, resume and credentials submitted in response to this notice. Applicants may be required to provide a copy of their transcripts at time of interview. Selected candidate(s) shall not be serving a working test period at the time of the appointment. Please include the posting number in the subject of the e-mail when submitting your credentials.

**Veteran's Preference:** To qualify for New Jersey Veteran's Preference/status, you must establish Veteran's Preference through the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs. Please submit proof of your Veteran's Preference along with your resume as indicated below. For more information, please visit <https://nj.gov/military/veterans/services/civil-service/preference/>

**Submit Letter of Interest, Resume and e-mail address by 4:00 PM on the Closing Date to:**

Amanda Burns  
S Clinton & E State Station Plaza, Bldg 5  
Trenton, NJ 08625  
E-mail Address: [NHRDFW.Resumes@dep.nj.gov](mailto:NHRDFW.Resumes@dep.nj.gov)

**Posting Authorized By:** Phiroza Stoneback, Manager  
Division of Human Resources

**The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to inclusive hiring and a diverse workforce. We strongly encourage people from all backgrounds to apply. Accommodations under ADA will be provided upon request.**