

FISH-01-HQ

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_\_\_  
Administrative X Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_11/12\_\_\_\_ Pay Band ZA-III WG/WM \_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months X 6 months X Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter X 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** NMFS Grants Liaison Specialist/ Assistant

**Assignment Objective:** To build knowledge and understanding of NMFS Grants processing and assist the Grants Liaison in tasks that promote consistency of national programs.

**Description of Tasks:** FPO Handbook. The Handbook needs to be updated according to the latest DOC Interim Grants Manual. FALD and GMD need to provide their feedback and information. Then it needs someone to track its clearance and get it published.

- Grants Plan tables. There are earmarks and proposed non-earmark data that we need to track with the actual grants as they are sent to GMD.
- NEPA meeting. Write NMFS process for NEPA review. Plan and coordinate a NEPA training meeting to include NEPA coordinators, FPOs, and GMD.
- Opportunity to attend Federal Program Officer (FPO) training as part of assignment.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** A fair knowledge of grants processing and NMFS grant programs would be helpful or strong willingness and capability to learn as well as good writing and people skills. Depending on the skill of the person assigned, he/she can be given a good bit of leeway in performing the assignments. We would like this assignment to be a minimum of 4 months. The appointed person should start in April.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Management & Administration Division, Office of Management & Budget, NOAA Fisheries Headquarters, Silver Spring, MD.

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FISH-02-HQ

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 11/12/13/14/15 Pay Band II/IV/V WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_X or 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_X 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_X\_

**Title of Assignment:** Program Planning/ Budget Formulation for Ecosystem Science and Management for Fisheries

**Assignment Objective:** Ecosystem FY 05, FY 06 & FY 07 Program Plan Strategy Development and Marketing to NOAA/DOC/OMB and Congress.

**Description of Tasks:** Assist in NOAA Fisheries FY 05, FY 06 & 07 PPBS and Budgeting strategy development and analyses through the NOAA/NMFS/DOC/OMB & Congressional process. Responsibilities include Agency wide and Goal wide coordination for budget related data in ecosystem science and management, especially related to fisheries, development of performance measures, drafting answers to budget questions, meeting with Program and Goal Team representatives and major constituent groups. This rotational assignment is most beneficial to the participant if the assignment begins around August or September 2004 and continues through end of January, 2005. Satisfactory rotational assignments can be developed for shorter periods if other work demands require shorter periods.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** General or specific knowledge of Ecosystem Science and Management issues particularly needs and strategies related to fisheries, knowledge of PPBS processes and analyses, knowledge of budget processes.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries Office of Management and Budget/ F/MB4, Silver Spring, MD.

**Point of Contact:** James Burgess, Chief, Budget Formulation & Chief of Staff for Ecosystem Goal Team 301-713-2251, ext. 163

FISH-03-HQ

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 11/12/13/14/15 Pay Band II/IV/V WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_X\_\_ or 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_X 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_X\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Program Planning/ Budget Formulation for Ecosystem Science and Management especially for Protected Resources

**Assignment Objective:** Ecosystem FY 05, FY 06 & FY 07 Program Plan Strategy Development and Marketing to NOAA/DOC/OMB and Congress.

**Description of Tasks:** Assist in NOAA Fisheries FY 05, FY 06 & 07 PPBS and Budgeting strategy development and analyses through the NOAA/NMFS/DOC/OMB & Congressional process. Responsibilities include Agency-wide and Goal-wide coordination for budget related data in ecosystem science and management, especially protected resources, development of performance measures, drafting answers to budget questions, meeting with Program and Goal Team representatives and major constituent groups. This rotational assignment is most beneficial to the participant if the assignment begins around August or September 2004 and continues through end of January, 2005. Satisfactory rotational assignments can be developed for shorter periods if other work demands require shorter periods.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** General or specific knowledge of Ecosystem Science and Management issues, particularly issues related to protected resources, knowledge of PPBS processes and analyses, knowledge of budget processes.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries Office of Management and Budget/ F/MB4, Silver Spring, MD.

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FISH-04-HQ

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_X\_  
Administrative\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 11/12/13/14/15 Pay Band II/IV/V WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_X or 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_X 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_X\_

**Title of Assignment:** Program Planning/ Budget Formulation for Ecosystem Science and Management for Fisheries, especially for ecosystem health including habitats of living marine resources

**Assignment Objective:** Ecosystem FY 05, FY 06 & FY 07 Program Plan Strategy Development and Marketing to NOAA/DOC/OMB and Congress.

**Description of Tasks:** Assist in NOAA Fisheries FY 05, FY 06 & 07 PPBS and Budgeting strategy development and analyses through the NOAA/NMFS/DOC/OMB & Congressional process. Responsibilities include Agency-wide and Goal-wide coordination for budget related data in ecosystem science and management, including ecosystem health and living marine resources habitats, development of performance measures, drafting answers to budget questions, meeting with Program and Goal Team representatives and major constituent groups. This rotational assignment is most beneficial to the participant if the assignment begins around August or September 2004 and continues through end of January, 2005. Satisfactory rotational assignments can be developed for shorter periods if other work demands require shorter periods.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** General or specific knowledge of Ecosystem Science and Management issues, particularly on issues related to ecosystem health and living marine resource habitats, knowledge of PPBS processes and analyses, knowledge of budget processes.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries Office of Management and Budget/ F/MB4, Silver Spring, MD.

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FISH-05-HQ

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
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Managerial\_\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** \_\_\_\_\_ Pay Band ZP 3-4 WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_x\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_x\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_x\_

**Title of Assignment:** Policy Analyst

**Assignment Objective:** The Policy Office serves the Assistant Administrator for NMFS, the Deputy Assistant Administrators for Regulatory Programs and Operations, and the Director of Scientific Programs, through the development and execution of integrated strategies for NMFS long-range planning, policy development, coordination and implementation. The objective of the RAP candidate's assignment will be to contribute to the development of NMFS-wide policy objectives through research, programmatic, political and/or budgetary analysis.

**Description of Tasks:** The Office has a range of projects it is currently undertaking or plans to initiate in the next twelve months. These include, but are not limited to: development of technical guidelines for ecosystem-based management plans; an analysis of the application of permit fees; an evaluation of the need and feasibility of permitting or licensing recreational anglers; development of a policy on the sale of fish by individuals with exempted fishery permits; and an analysis of the use of fees versus appropriated funds to pay for industry programs (such as individual fishing quotas, observer programs, and vessel monitoring systems). The Office will also be involved in developing policy in response to the Ocean Commission report, as well as in re-authorization of major resource management legislation (e.g., Magnuson-Stevens Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act). The Office will work with the RAP candidate to select the project(s) that best suit the candidate's particular interests, skills and abilities.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

- Demonstrated analytical capabilities
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Ability to self-direct/self-initiate work

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries, Office of Policy

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**FISH-06-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 7-12 Pay Band 3Q or 4Q WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_3+\_\_ 6 months\_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** National Information System Development

**Assignment Objective:** The assignee will have the opportunity to help shape the future of a high-profile national tracking system, to learn about the information systems development process, and to coordinate with a wide range of NMFS staff. The agency will have support in the development of an information system critically important to Habitat Conservation and Protected Resources programs, as well as to the agency's public image.

**Description of Tasks:** The assignee will work in the Office of Protected Resources (PR) on the continued development of the Protected Resources Information and Status Management (PRISM) system. Currently, this system tracks information on NMFS inter-agency consultations under the Endangered Species Act, and a portion of the data is accessible to the public online. PR plans to expand the system to merge in tracking of Essential Fish Habitat consultations. In addition, a GIS component is planned.

The assignee will be working with staff from headquarters and regional staff in Protected Resources and Habitat Conservation, as well as staff from the NMFS Office of the Chief Information Officer. The assignee will help problem-solve and build consensus on new developments for the PRISM system, including gathering requirements for the system, system and report design, testing, etc. In addition, the assignee will develop outreach materials to help publicize the system throughout the agency, and to other agencies and constituents as appropriate. Depending on skills and interest, the assignee may also have the opportunity to do web page design to support the national information systems.

The assignee should have knowledge of information systems and information technology. Some familiarity with ESA section 7 or Essential Fish Habitat would be beneficial but is not required.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** The assignee should have knowledge of information systems and information technology. Some familiarity with ESA section 7 or Essential Fish Habitat would be beneficial but is not required.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Office of Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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FISH-07-HQ

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 9-13 Pay Band \_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Permits, Conservation and Education Division

**Assignment Objective:**

The assignee will gain knowledge of the agency's marine mammal program and/or endangered species program, detailed knowledge of the permit program, experience working with permit provisions of the MMPA and ESA, knowledge of NEPA analysis and process, and exposure to the Headquarters management environment related to protected species. A selectee from a science center or regional office could provide wider field/scientific perspectives to the Division during a time of active program transition.

**Description of Tasks:**

The assignee will work within the Permits, Conservation and Education Division to implement the federal permit system mandated by the Marine Mammal Protection Act and the Endangered Species Act for scientific research, enhancement, public display or photography. The species involved may include marine mammals, sea turtles, white abalone, smalltooth sawfish, or shortnose sturgeon. The Permits Division would be somewhat flexible on which taxa would be involved, and would work with the assignee to determine which ones are of most interest. The assignee will assist with authorizations and permit amendments, including reviewing at least one application for a new permit or a major amendment for a complex scientific research permit. The assignee will draft and finalize a permit for that application, including preparation of a draft and final NEPA document (environmental assessment with a finding of no significant impact), while working closely with the principal investigator and other members of the scientific community, conducting formal or informal consultation with the Endangered Species Division of F/PR (if appropriate), coordinating review by regions/centers, the Marine Mammal Commission, and the public, assessing environmental effects, and recommending a decision on issuance/denial. The assignee may assist in preparation of materials for Congressional/NOAA/interagency briefings, policy papers and controlled correspondence. This would involve coordination with other elements of NOAA,

the Department of Commerce, USDA / APHIS, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and other agencies. The assignment may also involve assisting in regulations and policy development or implementation related to Marine Mammal Protection Act and Endangered Species Act mandates

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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FISH-08-HQ

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS9-14 Pay Band ZP 2,3,4 WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_ 6 months X\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** CITES: International Trade in Fauna and Flora

**Assignment Objective:** Would increase understanding of this aspect of international species conservation under the Endangered Species Act through the application of listing criteria in evaluating listing and delisting proposals and other resolutions. Furthermore, the participant will gain experience and insights into headquarters level interagency negotiations and cooperation. The participant will have the opportunity to meet with constituent representatives to understand their positions and explain U.S. government interests, responsibilities and decision making.

**Description of Tasks:** This assignment provides support to the Convention on International Trade in Fauna and Flora (CITES) and the to prepare the agency for the next Conference of Parties (COP). The assignment is to assist in developing the list of species to be considered for listing or delisting on CITES Appendices. This will be done through evaluation of species status reviews, assessment of international trade threats. The work will also involve meeting and negotiations with members of the U.S. delegation at the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of State, interested congressional members, and major constituent interests both in industry and non-governmental conservation organizations. Topics for discussion may include proposals for trade in hawksbill turtles, corals, marine fish and whales. In addition, the COP will discuss collaboration between CITES and other international institutions, such as the Food and Agriculture Organization, the Caribbean Environment Program and the South Pacific Environment Program

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**FISH-09-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
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**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 12-14 Pay Band ZP 3,4 WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_ 6 months \_X\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Listing & Recovery

**Assignment Objective:**

Would increase understanding of ESA listing and recovery issues, and would develop products for agency use. Participant with a science or management background would apply skills to specific project(s) to complete actions. The main outputs of the assignment would be Federal Register notices and recovery plans, depending on interest, time and ability.

**Description of Tasks:**

The participant will have the opportunity to work with senior staff on recovery and listing actions. This could involve collaboration with the regions on candidate species status reviews and/or recovery planning efforts, learning the HQ part of processing listing or critical habitat actions, and developing status review guidance. The participant will work with F/PR staff and management as well as regions, centers and interagency counterparts.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**FISH-10-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
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**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 9-14 Pay Band ZP 2-4 WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months\_X\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** ESA – Fisheries Coordination

**Assignment Objective:**

Would increase understanding, timeliness and improvement of fishery management actions as they relate to protected species. Participant with a sustainable fisheries background would gain knowledge of protected resources- fishery interactions and potential mitigating measures. Participant with protected resources background would gain experience with sustainable fisheries issues

**Description of Tasks:**

To provide liaison between Protected Resources and Sustainable Fisheries programs in headquarters by tracking fishery management actions and potential impacts on marine mammals and endangered and threatened species such as sea turtles, salmon and sturgeon.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**FISH-11-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 9-14 Pay Band ZP 2-4 WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months \_X\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Section 7 Consultation

**Assignment Objective:**

The participant would increase his/her understanding of the Section 7 consultation process at the national level with the opportunity to interact with a variety of action agency personnel during consultations. Additionally the participant will have the opportunity to meet regularly with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service HQ counterparts to both solicit and receive advice.

**Description of Tasks:**

To provide services as a biologist conducting Endangered Species Act Section 7 consultations on listed marine mammals, turtles, salmonids, sturgeon and other species. Consultation would be those interagency consultations of national significance, e.g. Naval operations, Forest Service or BLM land practices, and fisheries consultations of national significance. Additionally consultations are conducted on proposed research activities permitted by the Office of Protected Resources

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**FISH-12-HQ**  
**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION**  
**ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 9-14 Pay Band ZP 2-4 WG/WM

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Pacific Salmon Team

**Assignment Objective:**

The participant would increase his/her understanding of the HQ role for the Pacific salmon program and would gain valuable experience assisting senior staff of the agency on complex and controversial issues. The incumbent would have the opportunity to interact with a variety of NOAA and Federal agency personnel at the Headquarters level.

**Description of Tasks:**

To provide services as a biologist working with the Pacific salmon team within the Endangered Species Division. The Pacific salmon team coordinates all agency activities directed at the conservation and recovery of ESA listed Pacific salmon, including budget planning, responding to Congressional inquiries, Interagency coordination, and development and clearance of regulations that affect Pacific salmon.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**FISH-13-HQ**  
**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION**  
**ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_X\_\_\_\_  
Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_\_11-13\_\_ Pay Band \_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_3+\_\_ 6 months\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Prescott Grants Administrator

**Assignment Objective:** The employee will gain practical experience in the MMPA, international marine mammal health issues and Marine Mammal Health and Stranding Response programs. NMFS will be better able to meet its statutory mandate of implementing the Prescott Grants Program.

**Description of Tasks:** The incumbent will help coordinate and administer the J.H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grants Program. This program was enacted by Congress in January 2000. The purpose of the program is to provide grants to eligible stranding network participants for the recovery or treatment of marine mammals. The program includes issuing a call for proposals as prescribed by the Secretary, conducting proposal reviews, distributing grants to facilities, and reviewing progress on previous awards. The program manager will be responsible to ensure that the data and information from the grants program will be used effectively in furthering the goals and objectives of marine mammal health and the Marine Mammal Protection Act. In addition the program manager will be responsible for consulting with the Marine Mammal Commission, representatives from the regional stranding coordinators, and stranding network participants to develop the criteria and implement the program.

The Rotational Assignment candidate will work with the Division Chief, and the NMFS Office of Protected Resources Marine Mammal Health and Stranding Response Team to carry out these duties.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
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**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_X\_\_\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** \_GS\_11-13\_ Pay Band \_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Marine Mammal Stock Assessment

**Assignment Objective:** The employee will gain practical experience in the MMPA, ESA, and policy development and implementation related to marine mammal conservation..

NMFS will be better able to meet its requirement to make its protected species management decisions by making "best available information" better in the future

**Description of Tasks:** The incumbent will coordinate NMFS activities related to the review and revision of the guidelines for preparing marine mammal stock assessment reports, the annual review and revision of marine mammals stock assessment reports, and interact with members of the regional Scientific Review Groups. Among the highlights of current needs in this program is the evaluation of guidance for identifying marine mammals population stocks in light of the current guidelines, a September 2003 workshop to make recommendations for updating the guidelines, and management/policy considerations. The incumbent will also work with marine mammal and marine turtle assessment leaders within NMFS to finalize the draft protected species stock assessment improvement plan.

The Rotational Assignment candidate will work with all Fishery Science Centers, Regional Offices, the Office of Science and Technology, all divisions within the Office of Protected Resources, and many constituent groups in completing the guidelines for preparing reports and in stock assessment improvement.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

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**FISH-15-HQ  
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
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**Occupational Category:**

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Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_\_11-14\_\_ Pay Band \_\_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Tuna-Dolphin Conservation Program

**Assignment Objective:** The employee could expect to develop skills in domestic and international policy formulation, and implementation of statutory mandates. The Office would gain needed support in coordinating and accomplishing the significant tasks associated with carrying out the U.S. responsibilities of the International Dolphin Conservation Program Act.

**Description of Tasks:** The employee would work in the Tuna-Dolphin Program in F/PR2. This project involves a variety of high-profile and reasonably fast-paced activities, and therefore, it requires a candidate with excellent interpersonal and organizational skills. This position involves work on highly sensitive domestic and international policy issues and therefore would best fit a candidate with experience in policy formulation.

Much of the controversy surrounding this issue surrounds the continued chase and encirclement of dolphins during tuna purse seine fishing operations in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean (ETP) and the associated "dolphin-safe" labeling standard. The NMFS Tuna/Dolphin Team implements the International Dolphin Conservation Program Act and ensure that the dolphin stocks in the ETP are recovered to and remain at healthy levels, while working with other nations to sustain the ETP tuna fishery. The employee would work with NMFS and NOAA leadership and other NMFS staff from the Southwest Region and the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, as well as staff at the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), the Department of State, the Department of Justice, the U.S. and foreign tuna fishing industries, embassies of other nations, and several conservation groups to carry out the mandates of this important program.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD  
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**FISH-16-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
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**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_\_9-13\_\_ Pay Band \_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Endangered Large Whale Program

**Assignment Objective:** The employee will gain practical experience in the MMPA and in right whale recovery and conservation, including policy development and implementation. NMFS will be better able to meet its requirements under the MMPA and ESA.

**Description of Tasks:** Certain human activities adversely affect the recovery of endangered large whale species; and this program focuses on reducing those threats to enhance recovery. The candidate would assist with developing and implementing recovery plans for endangered whale species, particularly the Northern right whale – the most endangered of all large whale species. One of the greatest threats to North Atlantic right whales is serious injury resulting from collisions with ships. Therefore, working in this program would also involve helping to implement a recently completed Right Whale Ship Strike Reduction Strategy, including helping to administer the Strategy’s education and outreach component, and assisting with putting into place other aspects of the Strategy. It may also involve assisting with consultations on actions of other federal agencies under the ESA, and assisting in other types of analysis or policy document preparation.

The Rotational Assignment candidate will work with the Division Chief, and the NMFS Large Whale Coordinator to carry out these activities.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

**Point of Contact:** Michael Payne, 301-713-2319

**FISH-17-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_\_11-14\_\_ Pay Band \_\_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** Marine Mammal Conservation & Recovery: Small Cetaceans & Pinnipeds

**Assignment Objective:** The employee will gain practical experience in the MMPA and ESA and in conservation and recovery planning, including policy development and implementation.

NMFS will be better able to meet its requirements under the MMPA and ESA.

**Description of Tasks:** The MMPA and ESA require conservation or recovery plans to be prepared for depleted marine mammals and for threatened or endangered species. NMFS is currently preparing or working with Recovery Teams to prepare such plans for 6 population stocks of marine mammals (Hawaiian Monk Seals, Eastern and Western US stocks of Steller Sea Lions, Atlantic Coastal Bottlenose Dolphins, Southern Resident Killer Whales, Cook Inlet Beluga Whales). The Marine Mammal Conservation Division is also working with the Endangered Species and with the Fish and Wildlife Service to revise the agency's recovery planning guidelines. As these guidelines are updated, the conservation and recovery plans must be consistent with them, and existing plans must be reviewed to ensure consistency with the revised guidelines.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:**

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD

**Point of Contact:** Michael Payne, 301-713-2319

**FISH-18-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial \_\_\_\_\_ Technical X Analytical X  
Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 12-14 Pay Band \_\_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months xx 6 months xx Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter x

**Title of Assignment:** Ass't to the Int'l Coordinator

**Assignment Objective:** The purpose of this detail/rotational position is to support the International Affairs Coordinator and the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs (DAARP) in the tasks associated with this coordination.

**Description of Tasks:** Serve as the International Affairs Coordinator and DAARP's point of contact for international issues within NOAA Fisheries (including HQ-field), between NOAA Fisheries and NOAA, Department of State (DOS), and with foreign contacts. Liaise with the NOAA International Affairs (IA) Office and the Line Office IA functions in National Environmental Satellite Data and Information Service (NESDIS), National Ocean Service (NOS), Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), and National Weather Service (NWS) to identify issues of mutual concern and to receive and coordinate requests for information or assistance. Arrange and coordinate meetings of, and short term exchanges for, foreign visitors to NOAA Fisheries HQ and field. Handle information requests from DOS, NOAA and others. Prepare responses from materials on hand, or if necessary, forward immediately to appropriate staff for action, and collate/prepare responses as appropriate. Maintain, further develop and refine the NOAA Fisheries IA Website and database.

Keep the IA Coordinator informed of schedules of international activities involving NOAA Fisheries.

[\[http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/international/index.htm\]](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/international/index.htm), Solicit documents relating to international activities, including position papers, reports of international meetings, etc.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** Position cannot be filled before mid-August. International experience not required but is useful. Ability to work with a wide range of individuals under time pressure is essential.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries

**Point of Contact:** Dean Swanson, Chief, International Fisheries Division (301) 713-2276.

**FISH-19-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical X Analytical X

Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 11-12 Pay Band 3 WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months xx 6 months xx Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter X 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter X 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** EFH Mapping and Analysis

**Assignment Objective:** To review and update the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) maps for Atlantic Highly Migratory (HMS) species (tunas, swordfish, billfish and sharks) using a Geographic Information System (GIS).

**Description of Tasks:** The Highly Migratory Species Management Division is seeking an individual to review and update EFH maps for Atlantic tunas, swordfish, billfish and sharks. Responsibilities will include importing distributional databases (latitude and longitude coordinates with species identifications) into GIS, analyzing them in relation to the existing EFH boundaries, and making updates to the existing EFH boundaries where necessary. The individual will work collaboratively with an EFH Technical Review team comprised of NOAA Fisheries scientists and managers to make the necessary updates to the EFH boundaries. Maps for each species and lifestage (eggs/larvae, juveniles, and adults) will be published in Amendment 2 to the Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish and Sharks or Amendment 2 to the Atlantic Billfish Fishery Management Plan. Since these files are likely to be included in a NOAA Fisheries GIS web-based clearinghouse, the individual will also be responsible for assisting in the development of appropriate metadata files.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** GIS experience is preferred, although not mandatory. HMS Management Division staff with GIS experience will work closely with the RAP assignment position to ensure quality control and accurate and timely completion of objectives. The duration of the assignment is 3 months, with possible extension to 6 months depending on progress.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries

**Point of Contact:** Christopher Rogers, Chief, Highly Migratory Species Management Division (301) 713-2347 ext. 108

**FISH-20-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_11-14\_\_\_\_ Pay Band III-IV\_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_X\_\_ 6 months\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_X\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarterX\_\_

**Title of Assignment:** PPBS Fisheries Management Program Analyst

**Assignment Objective:** Assist the Fisheries Management (FM)Program Manager in the preparation of the FY 2007-2011 FM Program Baseline Assessment (PBA)and the development of FM component of the FY 2007-2011 Ecosystem Goal Program Plan.

**Description of Tasks:** Serve as primary staff analyst to the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries in his role as FM Program Manager during the FY 2005 cycle for the preparation of the FM PBA and/or Program Plan. Tasks will include the full range of staff support activities necessary to assist the FM Program manager meet his NOAA PPBS obligations. These tasks will include the review of the current Fisheries Management PBA and Program Plan, making recommendations for changes, preparing briefing materials and supporting documents required by the NOAA Office Program Analysis and Evaluation.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** This assignment requires good analytical writing, communication, word processing/computer skills with a focus on excel spreadsheets and power point presentations

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** National Fisheries/Office of Sustainable Fisheries

**Point of Contact:** Jack Dunnigan\_(301) 713-2334

**FISH-21-HQ**

**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS 11/12/13 Pay Band III/IV

**Duration:** 3 months \_\_X\_\_ 6 months\_\_X\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_X 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_X\_ 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_X

**Title of Assignment:** Plan Review Team Member, Domestic Fisheries Division

**Assignment Objective:** The successful candidate will gain knowledge and experience in: (1) analysis of fishery management and policy issues, and the Magnuson-Stevens Act; (2) regulatory format and processing procedures; (3) preparation of briefing and position memoranda; (4) fishery issues; and (5) drafting of responses to controlled correspondence.

**Description of Tasks:** The Domestic Fisheries Division reviews and recommends actions on fishery management plans (FMP), prepares implementing regulations, and coordinates all administrative support required by the Regional Fishery Management Councils. Activities include (1) serving as a member on one or more of the regional review teams (Alaska Team, West Coast/Western Pacific Team, Southeast Team, Northeast Team); (2) reviewing FMPs and regulations for consistency with agency policy and applicable laws, Executive Orders, and NOAA and Departmental directives; (3) analyzing fishery management issues and preparing briefing and position documents; and (4) responding to controlled correspondence.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** This assignment requires good writing, communication, and word processing/computer skills, and strong analytical skills regarding fisheries management issues.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** NOAA Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Silver Spring, MD

**Point of Contact:** Galen R. Tromble (301-713-2341)

**FISH-22-NER  
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

**Occupational Category:**

Managerial\_\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_  
Administrative \_\_X\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

**Level of Responsibility:** GS\_\_\_\_\_ Pay Band II/III WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration:** 3 to 6 months

**Timeframe:** 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_X 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter X 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_X

**Title of Assignment:** Northeast Region Fishery Management

**Assignment Objective:** The incumbent should expect to gain a working knowledge of the Magnuson-Stevens Act regulatory process, particularly with regard to the developmental stages of fishery management actions. In addition, the incumbent will learn the basics of some of the Northeast Region fisheries and fishery management programs. This knowledge and experience would be useful for anyone in another Region, Center, or Headquarters Office of NOAA Fisheries who is interested learning more about the Magnuson-Stevens Act fishery management process, particularly at the Council/Regional level.

**Description of Tasks:** A candidate is sought to work on one of three Division teams assigned to develop (in coordination with the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils), review, and implement fishery management plans, amendments and framework actions. Duties entail attending New England and/or Mid-Atlantic Council and Committee meetings and assisting in the development, review, preparation, and monitoring of regulatory actions. This involves acquiring a working knowledge of the regulatory development process, requirements, and Agency policies and guidelines. It also involves monitoring ongoing management activities, such as quota management. The incumbent(s) would provide analysis of issues and suggested resolution of issues relating to management program development, review and approval. The incumbent(s) would also potentially be involved in fishery monitoring and coordination activities. This would be accomplished in a team-based atmosphere through the convening of meetings of in-house staff and other appropriate parties to resolve issues and build consensus on proposed regulatory actions.

**Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:** Excellent communications skills (verbal and written); ability to analyze complex issues; ability to meet deadlines and manage multiple tasks; knowledge of basic regulatory processes is desirable.

**NOAA Line/Staff Office:** Northeast Regional Office, NOAA Fisheries

**Point of Contact:** George H. Darcy (978) 281-9331; george.darcy@noaa.gov

**FISH-23 NWR**  
**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION**  
**ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

Occupational Category: Technical and/or Analytical

Level of Responsibility: GS 11-14 Pay Band 3 OR 4 WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

Duration: 3 months \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months X Other \_\_\_\_\_

Timeframe: ASAP

Title of Assignment: Support and development of Salmon/Steelhead Recovery Plans at the ESU level.

Assignment Objective:

Assist with development of ESU scale recovery plans for listed salmon and steelhead, working with NOAA regional office and science center staff and with other federal, state, tribal and local entities.

Description of Tasks:

The NOAA Fisheries Salmon Recovery Division seeks assistance in the review of locally developed components of recovery plans and aggregation and integration of local plans and harvest, hatchery and other components of recovery planning at the ESU level.

The salmon recovery effort is using an innovative bottom up approach. This is an opportunity to implement the extensive involvement of local stakeholders and apply new application of science issues including artificial propagation, habitat protection and restoration programs and their effectiveness, tribal treaty and trust responsibilities.

Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:

Familiarity with ESA and west coast salmon biology and conservation issues.  
Experience working with multistakeholder processes.

Excellent written and oral communication skills.

NOAA Line/Staff Office: NMFS Northwest Regional Office  
Salmon Recovery Division  
Portland, Oregon.

Points of Contact: Rob Walton (503) 231-2285

**FISH-24-NWR  
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

Occupational Category: Technical and/or Analytical

Level of Responsibility: GS 11-14 Pay Band 3 OR 4 WG/WM \_\_\_\_\_

Duration: 3 months \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months X Other \_\_\_\_\_

Timeframe: ASAP

Title of Assignment: Analyst for Non federal salmon and steelhead recovery and restoration activities

Assignment Objective: Prepare report on accomplishments on salmon recovery

Description of Tasks:

Work with staff in the Salmon Recovery and Habitat Conservation Division staff to track recovery and restoration activities of states, tribes and other entities in the Columbia River Basin. A primary focus of these activities will be on habitat, tributary and estuarine habitat improvements as they relate to offsite mitigation for the Federal Columbia River Power System. The specific task is to prepare a report that lists projects and describes biological expectations and accomplishments of non-federal activities to recover listed salmon and steelhead in Columbia Basin. The task will involve working with Oregon, Washington and Idaho fish and wildlife agencies, tribes and others.

Special Requirements and Selection Criteria:

Familiarity with ESA and salmon biology and conservation issues. Experience working with multistakeholder processes.

Excellent written and oral communication skills.

NOAA Line/Staff Office: NMFS Northwest Regional Office  
Salmon Recovery Division  
Portland, Oregon.

Points of Contact: Rob Walton (503) 231-2285

**FISH-25-PIC**  
**NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION**  
**ROTATIONAL ASSIGNMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY**

Occupational Category:

Managerial\_\_\_\_ Technical\_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_X\_\_

Administrative \_\_\_\_ Clerical/Support \_\_\_\_ Other\_\_

Level of Responsibility: GS\_\_12-13\_\_ Pay Band \_\_\_\_ WG/WM \_\_\_\_

Duration: 3 months \_\_X\_\_ 6 months\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

Timeframe: 1<sup>st</sup> quarter\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter\_X\_ or 4<sup>th</sup> quarter\_X\_

Title of Assignment: Hawaii Marine Recreational Fishing Survey Analysis and Research Extension

Assignment Objective: Provide PIFSC social scientists with greater understanding of the applicability of HMRFS data to a variety of existing and potential projects, and of ways the HMRFS could be extended to meet additional information needs. Provide employee with greater understanding of marine fishing practices in Hawaii and the applicability of the data in meeting field office needs.

Description of Tasks: Design and conduct analyses of the HMRFS intercept and household data bases to provide information for use in developing fishing port/community profiles. Identify new ways of analyzing and applying HMRFS data to meet information needs. Work with PIFSC scientists to design data collection extensions to the HMRFS project that will meet additional data needs.

Special Requirements and Selection Criteria: Expertise with MRFS data and its analysis and application to management issues. Desire to spend approximately 3 months based in Honolulu at PIFSC.

NOAA Line/Staff Office: Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center, Fisheries Management and Performance Division

Point of Contact: Stewart Allen, Social Scientist, 808-983-5341