

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Island Fishery Coordinator

Post Location: American Samoa

Term: 2-year appointment, extension possible based on funding and performance

Announcement date: October 1, 2020

Deadline for application: October 15, 2020, or until filled

The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) is seeking an Island Fishery Coordinator to work coordinate Federal fishery management and conservation activities pertaining to fisheries management in American Samoa. This person will participate as part of a team of Council staff based in Honolulu, Guam, CNMI and from the staffs of other agencies.

The Council is one of eight regional Councils established by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976. The Council has authority over the management of fisheries in the US Exclusive Economic Zone waters off of the Territories of American Samoa and Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and State of Hawaii.

Primary responsibilities will be to coordinate all Council activities in the Territory of American Samoa and liaise with local agencies, organizations, fishing sectors and the broader community in the development of Federal insular and pelagic fishery policies.

Specific duties will include:

- Coordinate Fishery Ecosystem Plan and provide support for the timely development of Amendments and NEPA documents for the Fishery Ecosystem Plans.
- Provide analytical support for scientific analysis on fishery status and performance and for the development of fishery management options based on the best scientific information available;
- Develop and maintain connections with local agencies and legislature;
- Coordinate education and outreach efforts for the FEP including but not limited to, the Council's high school class, lunar calendars, forums, and outreach events;
- Coordinate and manage the activities related to the Council and its advisory bodies;
- Manage and coordinate projects funded by the Council in their FEP area;
- Other duties as assigned

### QUALIFICATIONS:

Desired Minimums:

- A four-year college degree in geography, marine science, ecology, resource management, planning or other closely related field of science and/or previous work experience in

environmental planning, marine or fisheries management, research, monitoring, or other resource management experience/training;

- Ability to clearly communicate complex issues to non-technical audiences.
- Ability to write clearly and succinctly.
- Ability to work professionally with people from diverse scientific and technical backgrounds.
- Working knowledge of the principles of MSA, NEPA, fishery management, island fishing industry, marine ecology and environmental laws;
- Ability to work industriously with minimal supervision in situations where multiple tasks are required within limited time constraints;
- Ability to work efficiently with a diverse composite of fishery management groups including State and Federal personnel, members of the fishing industry, university faculty and members of indigenous communities of the Pacific.

**SALARY:** Commensurate upon experience.

**TERM:** This announcement is for a two-year appointment. Extension of the appointment beyond two years may be possible, based on available funding and employee performance.

**LOCATION:** Duty post is Pago Pago, American Samoa. The main Council office is located in Honolulu, Hawaii. Travel may be required to attend meetings in throughout the Region (Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam and the CNMI) and other domestic and international locations.

**To Apply:** Submit a letter of interest and current resume which highlights relevant experience, training, and education. No format is prescribed. References should be included; however, letters of recommendation, education transcripts, and similar supporting documents are not requested at this time.

Applications or inquiries should be emailed to: [info@wpcouncil.org](mailto:info@wpcouncil.org).