

Vacancies for Band 3 TERM Bundle February 2023
Natural Resource Specialist/Fish Biologist

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These positions are term positions, and the duty descriptions are outlined below. The term will be for a 13-month duration. The initial term may be followed by two additional terms of 12 months each and a final term of 11 months, for a maximum of four years. Term appointments do not confer career status in federal employment.

These vacancies are not remote work positions. Selected individuals will be required to work at the assigned duty station, consistent with their approved telework plan.

Multiple Area Offices & Locations: US Forest Service Assistance

The USDA Forest Service is embarking upon an accelerated program to reduce wildfire risks and improve forest health of National Forests, inholdings, and adjacent wildland-urban interface (WUI). This program will include consultation with NMFS to provide for conservation of anadromous salmonids and their habitats. NMFS' statutory authorities for this work include the Endangered Species Act (ESA) section 7, and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) provisions. The positions to be filled are in the California Coastal Office, the Interior Columbia Basin Office, and the Oregon Washington Coastal Office. Chosen candidates will report to Arcata, California; Portland or Roseburg, Oregon; Ellensburg and Lacey or Seattle, Washington; dependent on selection.

California Central Valley Office: HGMP (SACRAMENTO DUTY LOCATION ONLY)

The hired senior biologist will be working on hatchery program coordination and assisting with the development of Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans throughout California's Central Valley, ensuring consistency with the latest West Coast Region policy and guidance. General tasks to be completed include, but are not limited to: evaluation of Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans; completion of Endangered Species Act consultations and National Environmental Policy Act documents; internal and cross-division communication and coordination on hatchery-related issues; representing NMFS during hatchery coordination meetings, workshops, and site visits; providing technical assistance and review of hatchery program effects on federally listed species and habitat; sharing information on species' status and new available data; participating in technical group discussions as the subject matter expert; and coordination with other resource agencies, such as the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Water Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Bureau of Reclamation. The position is in the Sacramento River Basin Branch of the California Central Valley Office, NMFS. The chosen candidate will report to the duty station in Sacramento, California.

Oregon Washington Coastal Office: Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Assistance

This position will provide technical assistance and fisheries expertise for Endangered Species Act and Magnuson-Stevens Act consultations for a variety of transportation projects under an agreement with the Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority. Duties will include participating in coordination, planning, and project meetings, providing early consultation support and guidance, reviewing project descriptions and biological assessments, writing biological opinions and other consultation documents, and developing and writing conservation measures. The position is in the Central Puget Sound Branch of the Oregon Washington Coastal Office, NMFS West coast Region. The chosen candidate will report to the duty station in either Lacey or Seattle, Washington.

Oregon Washington Coastal Office: Central Puget Sound Fish Consultation Biologist

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Oregon Washington Coastal Division: North Puget Sound Fish Consultation Biologist

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