



Position Announcement Natural Resource Analyst

The At-sea Processors Association (APA) is an association of Seattle-based seafood companies that catch and process groundfish in the Bering Sea fisheries off Alaska. Association staff include a director, a legal counsel, a government relations specialist, an economist, and a secretary. APA member companies have a track record of supporting precautionary, ecosystem-based fisheries management and are widely known for the development of innovative, rights-based cooperative fishing arrangements within the groundfish fisheries of the Pacific Northwest and Alaska. The APA seeks to hire a natural resource analyst to work with other APA staff and member-company government relations personnel to address management issues in the groundfish fisheries off Alaska.

Responsibilities:

1. Review, summarize, and critique research reports and analyses that support management of the Alaska pollock and groundfish fisheries. Provide original analyses of issues and regulations related to fish-stock assessment and ecosystem-based fishery management measures.
2. Conduct and-or coordinate industry and cooperative industry-government applied research on catch, bycatch, and habitat issues in the Alaska pollock and groundfish fisheries.
3. Participate on APA committees and workgroups, provide analysis and drafting of documents to support workgroup activities, and provide summary analysis of the development and consequences of fishery management regulations.
4. Interact with NMFS Alaska Fishery Science Center, International Pacific Halibut Commission, North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission, University of Washington, University of Alaska, and Alaska Department of Fish and Game researchers, among others, concerning issues related to fish-stock assessment and ecosystem-based fishery management measures.
5. Participate on outside committees and-or attend outside committee and groundfish and crab plan-team meetings as required.

Minimum Qualifications:

1. M.S. or higher degree in fish-stock population assessment, fisheries management, or marine biology preferred. Applicants with an M.S. or higher degree in resource economics or agricultural economics with a research focus and work experience concerning marine resources management may also be considered.



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2. Progressively more responsible work experience related to fisheries or natural resources management.
3. Experience conducting applied research and analysis, including fish-stock assessments and the effects of fishing on fish or invertebrate populations.
4. An ability to explain technical information to non-technical audiences.
5. An ability to write clearly and succinctly.
6. An ability to work with people from diverse scientific and technical backgrounds.
7. Demonstrated ability to manipulate and analyze data.

Desired Qualifications:

1. Knowledge of the various laws and regulations pertaining to management of the commercial fishing industry, including the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act.
2. Familiarity with management regulations in the Alaska groundfish fisheries.
3. Work experience conducting multi-disciplinary research projects.
4. Work experience on a commercial fishing vessel or with a commercial fishing or seafood processing company.
5. Experience with ADMB, stock synthesis, and-or iScam software.

Location: The APA office is located in Seattle, Washington. Travel will be required to attend meetings in Alaska and other Pacific Northwest locations.

Terms of Employment: Negotiable; competitive salary based on experience and qualifications; fringe benefits include health insurance and participation in a 401(k) plan.

To Apply: A curriculum vitae or resume highlighting relevant experience, training, education, research projects, and publications is required. A statement of interest describing the skills and advantages you would bring to this position is also required.

Send these materials to:

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The position is open until filled.

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