



**Fisheries Habitat Restoration Specialist
National Marine Fisheries Service
Restoration Center
Orono, ME or Gloucester, MA**

I.M. Systems Group, Inc. (IMSG) www.imsig.com is looking to hire a Fisheries Habitat Restoration Specialist to work at The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Restoration Center (RC) to assist the Northeast Team in the oversight of habitat restoration projects in the Gulf of Maine region with specific emphasis on Maine. The restoration specialist will be based either in the NOAA Fisheries Northeast Regional Office in Gloucester, MA or the NOAA Fisheries Maine Field Station in Orono, ME and will serve under the direction of the RC's Northeast Regional Supervisor. The successful candidate will work under an annually renewable contract (subject to the availability of funding) with NOAA. For more information about the Restoration Center, please visit the web site at: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/>

Responsibilities:

- Provide restoration planning, design, and oversight expertise to support NOAA's restoration programs including the Community-based Restoration and Open Rivers Programs which provide funding and technical assistance to organizations to implement habitat restoration projects that benefit living marine resources and NOAA's Damage Assessment, Remediation and Restoration Program which restores resources injured by hazardous substance discharges.
- Identify and evaluate restoration projects for potential funding, provide technical assistance to local organizations in developing proposals for and implementing restoration projects, and participate on multi-disciplinary teams to plan and execute restoration projects.
- Oversee projects throughout the state of Maine. Restoration projects may involve tidal wetlands, anadromous fish passage, riparian/riverine habitats, and shellfish. There will be a particular emphasis on river restoration projects involving dam removal, fish passage, in-stream restoration, and riparian habitat restoration.
- The job will involve the following: field investigations (including site evaluation and baseline and post-restoration monitoring); technical evaluation of restoration proposals, feasibility studies, modeling reports and engineering plans; development of project scopes of work; development of conceptual designs; project and construction oversight; and public outreach.
- Close interaction with various components of NOAA, other federal, state and local government agencies, academic institutions, and non-profit organizations will be an important responsibility.

Requirements:

Required Qualifications:

- Candidates must possess knowledge of Northeastern U.S. coastal and riverine ecosystems, monitoring methods for specific habitat types or resources, and life histories and habitat requirements of fish and shellfish.

- Candidates must possess strong backgrounds in river restoration, geomorphology, hydrology/hydraulics and/or anadromous fish restoration.
- Candidates must have strong oral and written communication skills, including the ability to communicate clearly with non-scientists.
- Ability to handle multiple, concurrent, and competing projects and responsibilities.
- Willingness to travel within the region is required.
- All applicants must be U.S. Citizens or permanent resident aliens from U.S. colleges or universities.

Desirable Qualifications:

- Experience with applied habitat restoration.
- Experience with GIS
- Experience with state and federal regulatory processes.
- Experience working on interdisciplinary teams.

Education Requirements:

- Candidates must possess a Masters degree in one of the marine sciences, fishery biology, ecology, hydrology, water resources, earth science or a related field.

To Apply:

Please send your resume in word format to jobs@img.com with the following subject heading: **NOA08015 - Fisheries Habitat Restoration Specialist** Applications for this position must be received before the closing date of August 29th, 2008. Applicants are encouraged to describe how their knowledge and skills fulfill the requirements of the position. Salary is commensurate with experience.

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