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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Title: <i>Technician II</i>		Posting Date: <i>April 4, 2023</i>	Serial No.: <i>055-23</i>
Department/Division: <i>Department of Marine & Wildlife Resources/Fishery</i>		Closing Date: <i>April 26, 2023</i>	Announcement No.: <i>055-23</i>
Type of Position: <i>Permanent Appointment</i>	Posting Type: <i>Employment Opportunity/ Open to the Public</i>	Pay Grade and Salary Range: <i>GS-09/\$16,467-\$41,817p.a</i>	

General Description:

Technician II is responsible for coordinating dive researches in various expeditions. Encoding data and organize and manage project database in timely manner. Maintain data in coral reef fish substrate surveys.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

- Conduct field video transects of coral reef substrate/fish survey in various reef sites in the territory
- Participate as dive researcher in various expeditions
- Assist the fisheries scientist in the survey of fish catch early morning for spear fishing and at a flexible time for bottom fishing
- Identifying, sort and measure the length and weight of fisheries during the fish catch survey in the field and for selected fishes in the laboratory
- Identify, sort and measure the length and weight of selected fishes for age-and-growth studies
- Extract, label and properly store fish otoliths, gonads, fin clips and muscle tissues
- Encode data and organize and manage project database in a timely manner
- Prepare materials before field (e.g.) SCUBA gear) and laboratory work (e.g. dissecting tools)
- Maintain SCUBA equipment, video camera, camera housing and other assigned program equipment in good condition
- Follow-up purchase orders and obtain invoices needed for supplies and equipment
- Keep track of time sheets and organize personal Daily Activity Records
- Manage program schedule and other assigned tasks

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- Report to the Program Manager and Chief Fisheries Biologist on projects updates
- Implement tasks as requested by the Program Manager, Chief Fisheries Biologist, Department Director and Deputy Director
- Perform other duties as assigned

Knowledge, Skills and Ability:

- Have high coral reef fish species identification skill with identification skill of coral reef invertebrates an advantage
- Must be organized in work, have excellent social skills, especially in dealing with fisherman and must have excellent time management
- Experience in working with fishing community is an advantage
- Must be highly motivated
- Can drive a boat, fill-in tanks and repair SCUBA gear
- Have experience in coral reef monitoring sampling design implementation
- Have been involve in basic or applied coral reef research and/or management for at least three (3) years and preferably have worked in the South Pacific (work experience in American Samoa is a definite advantage
- Have experience working with a diverse group of stakeholders including communities, government agency staff, researchers, educators and enforcement personnel in a South Pacific Setting
- Be carefully sensitive and have experience living and working in another culture, preferably in South Pacific Island Community

Academic and Experience Requirements:

- Applicant must have an Associate Degree in related field from an accredited university plus four (4) years of work-related experience
- Years of progressively responsible working experience may be substituted for portion of the academic requirement
- Salary will be adjusted according to experience

Complete information concerning this vacancy may be obtained from the Personnel Division of the Department of Human Resources, or please contact the Recruitment unit at 633-4485/633-4000.

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