

Ocean Associates, Inc. (OAI) is seeking a candidate to support the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), Pacific Islands Regional Office (PIRO) with assisting in coordinating and supporting the Marine Mammal Response Network (MMRN). The MMRN is a cooperative effort between the US National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources. It is composed of government and non-government staff and volunteers who assist with marine mammal conservation and response activities, especially those involving the endangered Hawaiian monk seal. Work will be conducted under the technical oversight of the NMFS Regional MMRN Coordinator and other authorized NMFS staff. OAI conducts research, offers policy advice, and provides personnel support services to government and industry clients for marine fisheries, protected species, and habitats.

Duties

- * Coordinate responses to marine mammal stranding incidents, e.g., live and dead cetacean strandings, and Hawaiian monk seal haul-outs, hooking, entanglements, and other injuries.
- * Coordinate or assist in collection, temporary holding, and transport of Hawaiian monk seals from one main Hawaiian Island to another via air and land transport provided by NMFS.
- * Conduct on-site coordination of Hawaiian monk seal captive care for short-term rehabilitation purposes at NMFS-authorized facilities.
- * Develop and maintain schedules for volunteer trainings, public and volunteer meetings, and volunteer shifts during monk seal pup monitoring events and other marine mammal response events.
- * Complete marine mammal health and response forms and monk seal sighting data forms.
- * Oversee tracking and distribution of NMFS response equipment and supplies.
- * Conduct and coordinate public education and outreach activities.
- * Travel to other main Hawaiian Islands, as needed, to coordinate and support marine mammal stranding responses. Travel will not exceed 7 overnight neighbor island trips, totaling 14 travel days.

Minimum qualifications

- * Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four (4) year college or university in a natural resources related field.
- * At least one year of experience conducting marine mammal response activities, preferably in Hawaii or a Pacific Island area.
- * Knowledge of the marine protected resources of the Hawaiian Islands.
- * Knowledge of marine mammal species in Hawaii.
- * Ability to communicate with diverse audiences of varying ages, educational levels, and cultural backgrounds.
- * Ability to work well within a team to accomplish stated objectives.
- * Demonstrated team-building skills and ability to facilitate cooperation amongst groups with diverse viewpoints.
- * Experience conducting education and outreach activities related to marine wildlife management.
- * Experience supporting management of a volunteer program.
- * Experience with computer programs such as Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, and Word.
- * Must be able to perform moderate physical activity such as basic animal restraint, lifting of response equipment and supplies, and walking long distances on beaches.
- * Skill in written communication, oral presentation, and computer graphics and design programs.

Federal location/workplace requires that all contract and government employees be able to access military installations. In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification document form upon hire. Ocean Associates is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of any status or condition protected by applicable federal or state law.

Location, Schedule, and Compensation

Work location: Ford Island, Hawaii

Work schedule: full-time (average 40 hours per week)

Compensation: \$31.08/hr + benefits

Excellent employee benefits are provided including health insurance, 401(k) plan, and holiday, vacation and sick leave.

If you are interested in being considered for this position, please email your resume detailing qualifications and experience to

Jobs@OceanAssoc.com

- Use "5067 MMRN" as the subject line.
- Include your name in the document file name.
- Sending your resume in PDF format is preferred.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.