



## **Position Title: North Pacific Groundfish Observers**

**Agency/Location:** AIS, Inc. (contractor to NMFS). Positions located in ports along the Gulf of Alaska and the Bering Sea

**Responsibilities:** Work at sea collecting and recording fish catch/discard and biological samples for the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) aboard commercial fishing vessels. Observers' record detailed information on the gear and fishing activity of the vessels. Vessels range from 40 ft to 125 ft and trips are 2 to 10 days. After attending a 1 to 4 week paid training course observers are deployed from ports throughout the Bering Sea and the Gulf of Alaska.

**Qualifications:** A BS in Marine Biology or other natural science is required including 30 semester hours of biological course work including at least one course that required extensive use of dichotomous keys and 5 semester hours of mathematics consisting of at least one math course and one statistics course. You must be US Citizen. Previous observer experience, sea and fish research experience strongly preferred. A valid driver's license is required.

**Compensation:** Starting rates are \$15.00 per hour plus health/dental insurance/vision, vacation, sick and holiday benefits. Experienced observers may be paid at higher rates depending on qualifications and experience. Overtime is paid for hours worked in excess of 8 hours in a day or 40 hours in a week.

**Contact:** If you would like to apply, please click the following link <http://goo.gl/PHJ8dU> to submit the required information: resume, cover letter, at least 5 professional references (name, email address and phone number), latest NPGOP evaluation (if applicable), and unofficial copies of your college transcripts. All documents must be submitted in order for your application to be considered.

**Closing:** Open until filled, Training scheduled to start 4/27/2015 and 6/1/2015.

**Deadline to apply for 2<sup>nd</sup> Training Schedule:** 5/22/2015

### **More information:**

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Additional questions regarding the position can be directed to Jay Litchfield at 508-990-9054.

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