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RECRUITMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Date: November 18, 2025

Title: Fisheries Outreach Specialist

Location: Gulf Council (Council)
4107 West Spruce Street, Suite 200
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Responsibilities: The Council is seeking to hire a *Fisheries Outreach Specialist*

The Fisheries Outreach Specialist will work in coordination with the Public Information Officer to interface with the public to communicate complex fishery issues and encourage public involvement in the Council's process. The incumbent will lead the development, design, and layout of assigned outreach and education materials and manages specific public outreach tools and software platforms to ensure accuracy of information related to commercial and recreational fishing regulations. The Fisheries Outreach Specialist will work with Council staff, as well as a wide range of state and federal professionals, academic partners, and stakeholders. This is a highly visible position at the Council. The incumbent will have an opportunity to further develop professional skills in support of the Council's outreach and education efforts. More information about the Council is available at www.gulfcouncil.org.

Qualifications: Master's degree (M.S. or M.A.) from an accredited college or university preferred or minimum of a Bachelor's degree (B.A. or B.S.) with at least 3 years' relevant experience. Education and experience should be in the field of marine/environmental science education, communications, marketing, biology, fisheries ecology, marine resource management, or marine/environmental science education. Knowledge of fisheries management, fisheries biology, and fishing communities is necessary. Experience in WordPress, social media management, database management, Canva or other design software is desired. The individual should have strong oral and written communication skills to interact with the public, other staff, federal and state agency employees, and Council members.

Travel Requirements: Overnight travel of varied frequency, duration, and destinations. Travel to up to five Council meetings per year (5 days each), many of which usually require overnight travel as well as other meetings of the Council.

Salary: This is a non-federal, full-time position with benefits. Starting salary range GS-11-12 equivalent (\$73,939 - \$88,621) commensurate with education, years of experience, and qualifications.

Closing Date: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 (or until filled)

How to apply: Submit the following for a complete application: cover letter; resume/CV, professional writing and design samples that demonstrate your ability to communicate complex topics clearly. Examples may include social media content, infographics, blog articles, etc.; contact information for three references; and relevant certifications to:

By regular mail:

Dr. Carrie Simmons
Executive Director
Gulf Council
4107 West Spruce Street, Suite 200
Tampa, Florida 33607 USA

By email:

outreach.specialist@gulfcouncil.org

What to Expect Next: After application packages have been received, we will review your resume/CV and other application materials. Additional materials or technical requests may be asked of the top candidates during the interview.

Reasonable

Accommodations: This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.

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