



FEMA

Date: April 4, 2006

Notice of Environmental Employment Opportunities

Applicants of Interest: BS or MS. Graduates in Environmental Sciences, Natural Resource Management, Geography, Geology, Coastal Studies Sciences, Forestry, Wildlife Science, Environmental Engineering and other similar disciplines with applicable knowledge and skills.

Location: The work site will be at the Sulphur Area Field Office (SAFO), 901 Prater Rd., Sulphur, LA 70663.

Position: Environmental Specialist

The primary period of employment will be for up to 90 days, renewable at the Agency's discretion for up to one year. At such time as the SAFO office closes (date undetermined at this time) and upon demonstrated satisfactory performance, the incumbent will be offered the opportunity to transfer to the Joint Field Office (JFO) in Baton Rouge, LA., and/or the New Orleans Area Field Office.

Individuals successfully completing their assignments will be offered the opportunity to apply and compete for one or more GS-9/11 CORE positions (temporary positions NTE one year with an option to renew for up to four years total dependent upon needs of the agency. Benefits apply to the CORE positions only).

Salary is equivalent to a Stafford Act Employee Rate of C-1
Regular: \$ 19.76 ph; Overtime \$ 29.63 ph.

No benefits apply to this temporary position.

Duty Days/Hours: Minimum tour of duty is 40 hours/week (M-F) with overtime scheduled as necessary to meet mission needs. Current duty tour (as of 4/4/06) is M-F, 7:00 am to 6:00 pm; Saturday 7:00 am to Noon. This duty tour is subject to change at the agency's discretion.

Major Duties:

- 1) Conduct environmental reviews, prepare required documentation, and submit recommendations to senior FEMA environmental staff for project approval.
- 2) Work with task force teams or program units to provide environmental technical direction and review.
- 3) Identify project-specific environmental concerns that FEMA may need to address.
- 4) Recommend and implement streamlining measures for environmental compliance activities, in coordination with Joint Field Office (JFO) and FEMA regional staff and Federal, Tribal/State and local resource/environmental agencies.

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- 5) Provides technical assistance to SAFO and JFO program managers and other personnel, State/Tribal and local officials regarding FEMA's environmental compliance responsibilities, and may serve as a "technical expert" in the JFO for specific environmental laws and Executive orders.

Major Laws Reviewed: NEPA (*National Environmental Protection Act*), NHPA (*National Historic Preservation Act*), ESA (*Endangered Species Act*), CBRA (*Coastal Barrier Resource Act*), CWA (*Clean Water Act*), CZMA (*Coastal Zone Management Act*), FWCA (*Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act*), CAA (*Clean Air Act*), FPPA (*Farmlands Protection Policy Act*), Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Executive Orders 11988 (*Floodplains*) 11990 (*Wetlands*) 12898 (*Environmental Justice*), and 44 CFR parts 9&10.

Other Factors: The ability to communicate well both orally and in writing is essential to understand and interpret complex laws and policies and articulate decisions into written reports. The individual must be adaptable and able to get along well with fellow workers and the public in a work environment that is in a considerable state of change, adapting to new situations and evolving work needs.

Contact Information: Submit resume, course transcripts and letter of interest to the Human Resources Office of the Sulphur Area Field Office at:

Attn: Human Resources (HR)
DHS FEMA
c/o Lighthouse Tabernacle
901 Prater Road
Sulphur, LA 70663

If you have any questions please call Ms. Laurie Lemieux, Environmental Specialist, at 337-533-3108 (office) or 703-254-9750 (cell) or Brent Giezentanner, 337-533-3108 (office) or 832-588-0432.