

Employment Opportunity

California Department of Fish and Wildlife Fish & Wildlife Scientific Aid Zooplankton Study

Position Number: JC-445561

Location: Stockton, CA

Salary Range: \$17.73-\$21.04 per hour

Duration: 189 days or approximately 9 months



Minimum Qualifications:

Possession of a valid driver's license, **AND** one of the following:

- Educational equivalent to completion of 2 years of college, including a minimum of 10 semester hours in biological or chemical sciences,
- OR**
- One year of paid or volunteer experience either working in a biological laboratory, or surveying, studying, or evaluating fish or wildlife populations or habitat.

Desired Abilities:

- Process biological samples preserved in formalin or ethanol using a dissecting microscope for up to 8 hours a day, 5 days a week.
- Collect and preserve biological samples from a research vessel, potentially in rough seas, without incapacitation due to seasickness.
- Move, deploy, and retrieve fishing gear weighing up to 40 pounds repetitively on a research vessel in a variety of weather conditions.
- Drive sampling crews in State vehicles to and from marinas in the San Francisco Bay Area up to 2 to 3 times per month, often in heavy traffic and early in the morning.

Job Overview:

Join a group of scientists studying the effects of freshwater outflow and other physical and biological factors on the abundance and distribution of zooplankton in the upper San Francisco Estuary.

Main Duties:

The Zooplankton Study Scientific Aid will spend most of their time in the laboratory processing and sorting zooplankton samples collected in the San Francisco Estuary. For 3 to 6 days per month, the Scientific Aid will assist with sample collection from a 60' research vessel. This includes deploying and retrieving sampling gear, rinsing nets, preserving samples in formalin, collecting environmental parameters, and cleaning sampling gear and vessel. Field days may be 12-14 hours long and start early in the morning.

How to Apply: This position is advertised at [CalCareers](https://www.calcareers.com). Follow the directions in the advertisement in the "Application Instructions" and "Filing Instructions" sections.

Submittal of a resume with cover letter is encouraged, but not required.

For further information or questions about this position, please contact Kathy Hieb at Kathy.Hieb@wildlife.ca.gov or at 209-640-4642.



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Final Filing Deadline: August 28, 2024

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