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Genwest Systems Inc., an equal opportunity employer, is currently accepting applications for the <u>Gulf of Mexico Regional Marine Debris Coordinator</u> position, which will primarily support our clients at the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Office of Response and Restoration (OR&R) Marine Debris Program (MDP), which is headquartered in NOAA's Silver Spring, MD offices.

# Location:

The Gulf of Mexico Regional Marine Debris Coordinator position will be located in Mobile, AL. Telework options will be considered for a portion of the normal work.

# **Background:**

OR&R (response.restoration.noaa.gov) is a program office in the National Ocean Service that responds to threats in order to protect and restore coastal resources. To do this, OR&R provides interdisciplinary scientific response to releases of oil, chemicals, contaminants, and marine debris as well as protects and restores NOAA trust resources. The Marine Debris Program focuses on investigating and addressing the negative impacts of debris in the marine and coastal environment.

# Core Responsibilities:

The Regional Marine Debris Coordinators support the MDP mission across the Program's 11 regions. This includes understanding debris types and impacts, identifying the needs of the community, and building relationships with partners to facilitate collaborative efforts toward common goals to prevent, remove, and study marine debris.

Example activities and knowledge requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Oversee and/or provide support to marine debris related projects, activities, and actions in the Gulf of Mexico region, which includes Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas.
- Support the planning and implementation of the Gulf of Mexico Alliance Governors' Action Plan.
- Coordinate with federal and state partners in the region on marine debris issues.
- Participate in meetings, workshops and media events related to marine debris efforts in the region.
- Provide expertise and oversight for MDP-funded projects through multiple grant and funding vehicles, including technical monitoring of project status and execution, and conducting associated environmental compliance work.
- Identify opportunities and participate in outreach and educational events with the public, school groups, and industry partners focused on prevention of marine debris.
- Give presentations and participate in Congressional briefings in the region related to marine debris, as required.

### **Qualifications and Skills:**

The successful candidate will be evaluated based on their ability to demonstrate the listed qualifications and desired skills in their resume and interview:

- Education & Experience
  - Master's in biology or environmental science or related field. If the candidate does not have a Master's then an undergraduate degree in biology or environmental science or related field with significant work experience and understanding of marine debris issues.
- Skills
  - Strong verbal and writing skills.
  - Experience working on and leading interdisciplinary teams.
  - Strong analytical and technical skills.
  - Self-motivated, energetic, and strategic thinker.
  - Ability to work independently and in teams.
  - Experience working in the region /with the federal government is preferred.
  - History of success in team-based project execution, working as both lead and contributor on diverse multi-disciplinary teams.
  - Flexible and proactive approach to problem solving.
  - Ability to plan and execute long term projects, including setting timelines and milestones, balancing priorities.

# **Compensation:**

Compensation will be determined based on the experience and qualifications of the successful applicant in combination with contract budget. The position is eligible for a full-time benefit package that includes health insurance, paid personal and holiday leave, 401(k) program eligibility, and employee disability and life insurance.

# To Apply:

Relevant experience and certifications should be included in your resume, as well as 3 references. Applicants may include a one page cover letter describing your experience that relates directly to the job duties stated in this posting.

Please submit all application content (optional cover letter, your resume, and references) in a single .pdf (Adobe Acrobat) attachment with your name included in the .pdf file name. If applying by email, please submit to **hr@genwest.com**, including the words, "**GOM Regional Marine Debris Coordinator**" in the subject line of your email, if applying by email.

Applicants selected for interviews will be contacted via email. The position will remain open until filled, with priority given to applications received by August 31, 2023.