

## **Department of Environmental Protection Notice of Vacancy**

Filling of this position is contingent upon further approval process

Title: Research Scientist 2

Posting Number: F&W-2023-8

**Open to:** General Public

Workweek: NL (35-hour) Workweek

**Salary:** (P28) \$79,848.66 — \$113,786.94

Opening Date: March 20, 2023

Closing Date: April 10, 2023

Existing Vacancies: One (1)

Program/Location: Department of Environmental Protection

Fish and Wildlife

141 Van Syckels Road Hampton, NJ 08827

Scope of Eligibility: Open to applicants who meet the requirements below.

**Description:** Under the general supervision of a Research Scientist 1 or other supervisory official in a state department, institution, or agency, conducts research projects or participates in functional programs in a specified professional field; assumes appropriate administrative and scientific duties as delegated; heads complex projects and makes recommendations to the supervisor; does related work.

**Specific to the Position:** To monitor health of wildlife resources within the state. Investigate mortality events and related pathology, as well as monitoring parasite and disease of mammalian, reptilian, avian and other wildlife species. Investigate mortality events, such as outbreaks of Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD), potential poisonings, suspected poaching, and to conduct annual Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance. Identify future threats to NJ's wildlife resources or its users.

**Preferred Skill Set:** Experience with identification of wildlife pathogens, related pathology and related histology, including known vectors of transmission. Experience with maintaining a wildlife health laboratory and proper handling, and use of related scientific equipment. Experience with development of wildlife disease response plans in case disease were to occur.

## Requirements

**Education:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.

NOTE: All U.S. degrees and transcripts must be from an accredited college or university. All foreign degrees and transcripts must be evaluated for accreditation by a recognized evaluation service by the closing date of this posting. Failure to provide documentation may result in ineligibility.

**Experience:** Three (3) years of full-time experience in a field appropriate to the position.

NOTE: A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.

**License:** Appointees will be required to possess a valid driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essentials duties of the position.

**Residency:** All persons newly hired on or after September 1, 2011 have one year from the date of employment to establish, and then maintain principal residence in the State of New Jersey subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L.2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act".

**Authorization to Work:** Selected candidates must be authorized to work in the United States per the Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services regulations. **Note:** The State of New Jersev does not provide sponsorship for citizenship to the United States.

**Note:** All State employees who are vaccinated for COVID-19 are required to submit proof of vaccination. Instructions will be provided if a firm offer of employment results from this NOV.

**Veteran's Preference:** To qualify for New Jersey Veteran's Preference/status, you must establish Veteran's Preference through the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs. Please submit proof of your Veteran's Preference along with your resume as indicated below. For more information, please visit https://nj.gov/military/veterans/services/civil-service/preference/

Submit Letter of Interest, Resume, Unofficial Transcripts (if college degree is required), and the Personal Relationship Disclosure Statement by 4:00 p.m. on the closing date to:

Talent Acquisition Team

E-mail Address: DEP-HR-FW.resumes@dep.nj.gov

Please include the title and posting # of this Notice of Vacancy in the subject line of your e-mail.

Please tell us how you heard about this position.

**SAME applicants:** If you are applying under the NJ SAME program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter) must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME program, please visit <a href="https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml">https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml</a>, email <a href="mailto:SAME@csc.nj.gov">SAME@csc.nj.gov</a>, or call CSC at (833) 691-0404.

## **Posting Authorized By:**

Phiroza Stoneback, Manager Division of Human Resources

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to inclusive hiring and a diverse workforce. We strongly encourage people from all backgrounds to apply. Accommodations under ADA will be provided upon request.