The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is recruiting for the job title described below. **ALL** applications for this position must be filled out online at the Mississippi State Personnel Board's website located at www.mspb.ms.gov under Apply Now tab. Please enter the job title as it appears below in the search box. Resumes are not a substitution for completing a job application.

Environmental/Natural Resources Specialist I

Job Posting Closes on the MSPB Careers Website on Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 11:59 PM CST

Job Type
Full-Time

Job Number
9408-0450-20261029HARRI

Agency Minimum Salary
$33,600.00

Agency Maximum Salary
$36,960.00

About the Position
This is entry level technical scientific work in the Finfish Bureau of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources with responsibility for providing scientific expertise in the areas of marine fisheries, marine fisheries management, and regulation. The work involves conducting surveys and investigative research studies and inspections. Conducting field and/or laboratory tests; and analyzing, evaluating, and interpreting field data to provide recommendations to upper-level management with the information necessary to make management and regulatory decisions regarding marine fisheries. Successful interaction with members of local, state, and federal regulatory entities, special interest groups, and the public is required. Essential functions of the position also include speaking before large and small groups. Job duties are performed using considerable independent judgment and discretion under the general supervision of a higher-level scientist. Work is reviewed through periodic meetings and conferences.

What you'll need to be Successful
Knowledge of marine fisheries coastal habitats and the various species typically found in Mississippi Coastal waters. Additionally, considerable knowledge of the laws, rules, processes, procedures, and regulations affecting the marine resources and marine fisheries are necessary for the successful performance of the job. Experience with otoliths, fishery dependent sampling, and operation of small vessels is preferred.

Preferred Qualifications
Requires a bachelor's degree and 0-1 year of experience.