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RECRUITMENT BULLETIN: GLBA-15-011  
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## **JOBS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE ALASKA LOCAL HIRE PROGRAM PUBLIC LAW 96-487**

**Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve** is accepting applications for full-time, Term, subject-to-furlough work. More than one position may be filled from this bulletin.

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### **POSITION**

**Ecologist (Marine) GS-0408-09**  
\$25.33-\$32.93 per hour plus 7.18% COLA

### **DUTY LOCATION**

Bartlett Cove, Gustavus, AK

**BENEFITS:** Insurance, Retirement, Thrift Savings Plan (similar to a 401K) with matching Government contributions; paid holidays, annual and sick leave; performance-based longevity pay increases.

**APPOINTMENT INFORMATION:** Term appointment is for 13 months, and may be extended for a total of 4 years, depending on availability of funding. Full-time, term, career-seasonal: A term career-seasonal position includes all benefits of permanent employment, but does not provide for employment on a full-time year-round basis. As a condition of employment and (depending on workload needs and/or funding), the employee is guaranteed work for at least 6 months but not more than 11 months each service year. When services are not required, employee will be placed in a non-work, non-pay status. A minimum of 2 weeks in non-pay and non-duty status is required each service year. While in pay and duty status, the employee will work a full-time work schedule (40 hours per week). Salary, vacation and sick leave earnings, which are normally based on year-round employment, will be prorated according to the number of weeks actually worked each year. The waiting period of within-rate increases (step increases) may also be extended by a portion of the time spent in non-pay status.

May involve weekend work or performance of duties before or after “normal” working hours.

Government housing is not available.

**DUTIES:** This position is located in the Resource Management Division at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve in southeastern Alaska. A primary responsibility of this position is to perform routine data processing and management for long term monitoring programs. The incumbent develops new ways to provide timely information on humpback whale locations to



stakeholders to reduce whale/vessel collisions and develops new data-sharing methods for studies of whales and other marine mammals. The incumbent serves as the Park lead for installation and maintenance of new climate stations and marine mammal stranding and entanglement response. The incumbent reports to the GS-0486-12 Whale Biologist.

**WHO MAY APPLY:** Any U.S. citizen who has acquired special knowledge or expertise regarding the natural or cultural resources of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, by reason of having either lived or worked in or near the park. This level of knowledge would be acquired by having lived or worked in or near the park for at least 12 months, to include all four seasons. Short seasonal residency is not qualifying as this would not provide the level of knowledge or expertise that is gained through experiencing the range of climatic conditions and associated impacts on the resources. The areas considered to be “near” Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve include Gustavus, Hoonah, Elfin Cove, Pelican, Excursion Inlet, Haines, Skagway, Juneau-Douglas-Auke Bay, Yakutat, and Dry Bay.

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:** **Degree:** biology, or a related field of science underlying ecological research that included at least 30 semester hours in basic and applied biological sciences. These hours must have included at least 9 semester hours in ecology, and 12 semester hours in physical and mathematical sciences. (Copy of transcripts required, or you will not be considered for this position.) You must be able to demonstrate through the experience shown in your written resume and application package that you possess the skills/competencies to perform the duties described in this job posting. All qualifying experience, including volunteer experience, will be considered. Qualifications will be determined by evaluating experience and education as described in the resume, particularly in the Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities listed below. All qualification requirements must be met by the closing date of this job posting.

**KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:**

Your written answers to the following questions will help us to evaluate your qualifications to perform the duties of this position. Please note that only qualified applicants will be referred. It is important to provide detailed information about your experience, particularly in the following Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs). Describe experience (paid or unpaid), education, training, awards and self-development that show your level of experience related to each KSA.

*Use a separate sheet of paper with corresponding numbers for answers*

**KSA 1** Uses a variety of computer software packages (such as Geographic Information Systems, relational databases, word processing, digital image processing, spreadsheets, data archiving and web authoring tools) for storage, analysis and presentation of scientific data with superb attention to detail and accuracy.

**KSA 2.** Plans and carries out technical projects independently, with contractors or other partners. Maintains accurate records and prepares clear, concise and well-organized technical reports including analysis, interpretation and illustration. Conducts photographic-identification of individual animals based on their natural markings.

**KSA 3.** Conducts terrestrial and marine fieldwork of a technical nature in remote locations accessed by small boat or aircraft often in extreme weather conditions, in bear country and difficult logistical circumstances.

**KSA #4:** Professional knowledge of the theory, principles and methods of marine ecology, especially as they apply to marine mammals and fish, including the applicable conservation, management and legal issues in southeastern Alaska and elsewhere.

**KSA #5:** Professional knowledge of the technical methods, principles, and practices of climate monitoring, including the ability to install, troubleshoot, and repair remote climate monitoring instrumentation and maintain quality control/quality assurance conditions.

### **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

- Favorable suitability background investigation. Results of the investigation must be adjudicated **prior** to employment.
- **Wearing of the NPS uniform is required.**
- Driver's license is required.
- If you are selected for Federal employment you will be required at that time to submit a completed OF-306 (Declaration for Federal Employment), to determine your suitability for Federal employment.
- Federal employees are required to utilize Direct Deposit (EFT), for their Federal Salary checks.
- **Drug testing designated** – must receive negative results on a drug test prior to employment, and will be subject to random testing.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

***PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY!*** **Incomplete applications may result in non-referral of your application.** Assistance and forms may be obtained from the park office at the address above or by calling 907-697-2230. **The SF-15 may be obtained through the Internet at [www.opm.gov/forms](http://www.opm.gov/forms).**

**All applications must be postmarked or received in this office by the closing date of the announcement.** If your application package is postmarked on the closing date it must be received in this office no later than 7 calendar days after the closing date. Hand delivered applications must be received by close of business (4:30 pm) on the closing date.

Mail or deliver the following required forms to Park Headquarters, Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, One Park Road, Box 140, Gustavus, Alaska 99826:

- Resume that provides detailed information about your work experience, including current phone numbers for supervisors and references. Also include the dates worked (for example, June 2009 through August 2010), work schedule (for example, 40 hours per week); the position title; and employer name for each period of employment. If work experience was with the federal government, include the job title, series, and grade of the position.
- Copy of college transcripts
- Answers to the KSAs listed above
- Completed Local Hire Eligibility Questionnaire (attached to the announcement or can be obtained from the park office)
- Veteran's Preference documents, if claiming Veteran's Preference (see below for documents).

- Although not required you are encouraged to submit the attached Demographic Information on Applicants, OMB No.3046-0046, with your application. Please ensure that it is the last page of your application package, as it is removed from your application before it is forwarded to the selecting official.

It is the applicant's responsibility to provide documentation/proof of claimed status veterans preference, qualifications, and education. Applicants will not be solicited for further data if that provided is found to be inadequate, illegible, or incomplete.

Application materials will not be returned, therefore do not submit original documents that you may need in the future, or extra materials such as letters of recommendation, photographs, or award certificates.

We do not accept faxed or electronic resumes or applications, or applications mailed in postage paid government envelopes or through an internal government mail system.

If you make a false statement in any part of your application you may not be hired or you may be fired after you begin work; or you may be subject to fines, imprisonment or other disciplinary action.

**VETERAN'S PREFERENCE (for qualifying veterans):** To receive Veteran's Preference, your application package must include a copy of the DD-214, Military Discharge, that shows the type of discharge from service (usually the Member 4 copy), or Report of Separation from Active duty if separation was prior to July 1, 1979. If claiming 10-point veteran's preference, you must also provide a completed SF15 ([www.opm.gov/forms](http://www.opm.gov/forms)) and verification documents listed on the SF15. If you are separated and do not have a DD214 yet you may use an official statement of service from your command that you have completed active service and are being discharged under honorable conditions, or provide other official documentation (e.g., documentation of receipt of a campaign badge or expeditionary medal) that proves your military service was performed under honorable conditions. You will not receive veteran's preference if you do not provide this documentation.

If you do not know whether you have preference, [this link](http://www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/mservice.htm) can assist you. ([www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/mservice.htm](http://www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/mservice.htm))

**Reasonable Accommodations:** The agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the park office listed on this announcement. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodations will be made on a case-by-case basis.

**Privacy Act Information** The application you submit for this position contains information subject to the privacy act of 1974 (PL-93-579, 4 USC 552a). We are required to provide you with information regarding our authority and purpose for collecting this data, the routine uses which will be made of it and the effects, if any, of non-disclosure. You are entitled to the same information as it pertains to disclosure of your social security number. Any questions you may have regarding the Privacy Act regulations and the rights it extends can be answered by contacting the park office.

**Equal Employment Opportunity** Appointments are made without regard to race, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, religion, political affiliation, national origin, marital status, non-disqualifying handicap condition or any non-merit factor.

## **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs) (required information)**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

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The answers to the following questions will help us to evaluate your qualifications to perform the duties of the job for which the Park is recruiting. You must provide a narrative statement for each element of knowledge, skills and abilities (KSAs). Describe experience (paid or unpaid), education, training, awards and self-development as related to the KSAs. Your work experience or background will show the level of knowledge, skill, and ability you have. Fully describe your qualifications and give examples in each of the following KSAs. If you have previous government experience, please list the job title, series, and grade; and the dates you were employed. *Use additional sheets of paper if additional space is needed for your answers, but no more than one page per KSA. Please include your name on each sheet of paper. **The information provided in your KSAs must be supported by employment/experience shown on your resume.***

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**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs) (required information), (continued)**

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**ALASKA LOCAL HIRE APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE**  
**Ecologist (Marine), GS-0408-09, Term Appointment/Subject-to-Furlough**  
**GLBA-15-011**

*This eligibility questionnaire must be submitted with your application package. Please print your name and answer the following:*

Your Legal Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**Eligibility Questions**

1. How long have you lived or worked in the vicinity of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve? (circle the **one** statement that applies)
- a. Less than 12 months
  - b. 12 months or more
  - c. I have not lived or worked in or near the park

2. What time of year have you lived or worked in or near Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve? (circle **all** that apply)
- a. during all or part of December through February
  - b. during all or part of March through May
  - c. during all or part of June through August
  - d. during all or part of September through November
  - e. I live (or have lived) in or near the park on a year around basis.

3. List your physical address(es) while living in the vicinity of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, and approximately when you lived there (e.g. month & year - Oct 2001 to September 2005)

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4. Do you have knowledge, by virtue of living in this area, of one or more of the items listed below (circle **all** that apply)?
- a. Community history such as: specific dates, important events, seasonal observations, customs, etc.
  - b. Geographic features and/or unique land markers such as: mountain or river locations, types of landscapes, or other
  - c. Wildlife (including identification of): mammals, birds, big game, fish, or other animals specific to the area.
  - d. General knowledge of safety precautions, weather conditions, recreation options, and important information knowledgeable to the local community.
  - e. Supplies and logistics needed for field camping including area-specific needs or that incorporate challenges or safety aspects specific to the area.
  - f. Other unique information not listed above that shows familiarity with the full range of typical conditions that affect the work to be accomplished. Describe here (use additional paper if needed):  
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  - g. I do not have knowledge or experience as listed above.

5. How did you obtain your knowledge of the Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve (circle **all** that apply)?
- a. Personal knowledge such as: fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, etc.
  - b. Professional: obtained through work (this work, and the date and year worked, must be cited in your resume)
  - c. Official training: high school class, college course
  - d. Other resource used to obtain knowledge that is not listed above (you may be asked to elaborate later).
  - e. I do not have the knowledge listed above.

**Applicant Certification:**

I certify that the statements made on this application are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the information I provide may be verified and that I will not be considered if it is found to be inaccurate.

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Signature

Date

## DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON APPLICANTS

OMB No.: 3046-0046

Expiration Date: 02/28/2017

**Vacancy Announcement No.:** GLBA-15-011

**Position Title:** Ecologist (Marine), GS-0408-09

### YOUR PRIVACY IS PROTECTED

This information is used to determine if our equal employment opportunity efforts are reaching all segments of the population, consistent with Federal equal employment opportunity laws. Responses to these questions are voluntary. Your responses will not be shown to the panel rating the applications, to the official selecting an applicant for a position, or to anyone else who can affect your application. This form will not be placed in your Personnel file nor will it be provided to your supervisors in your employing office should you be hired. The aggregate information collected through this form will be kept private to the extent permitted by law. See the Privacy Act Statement below for more information.

Completion of this form is voluntary. No individual personnel selections are made based on this information. There will be no impact on your application if you choose not to answer any of these questions.

Thank you for helping us to provide better service.

#### 1. How did you learn about this position? (Check One):

- Agency Internet Site recruitment
- Private Employment Web Site
- Other Internet Site
- Job Fair
- Newspaper or magazine
- Agency or other Federal government on campus
- School or college counselor or other official
- Friend or relative working for this agency
- Private Employment Office
- Agency Human Resources Department (bulletin board or other announcement)
- Federal, State, or Local Job Information Center
- Other

#### 2. Sex (Check One):

- Male
- Female

#### 3. Ethnicity (Check One):

- Hispanic or Latino** - a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- Not Hispanic or Latino**

#### 4. Race (Check all that apply):

- American Indian or Alaska Native** - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North or South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian** - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, or Vietnam.
- Black or African American** - a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific islands.
- White** - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

#### 5. Disability/Serious Health Condition

The next questions address disability and serious health conditions. Your responses will ensure that our outreach and recruitment policies are reaching a wide range of individuals with physical or mental conditions. Consider your answers without the use of medication and aids (except eyeglasses) or the help of another person.

##### A. Do you have any of the following? Check all boxes that apply to you:

- Deaf or serious difficulty hearing**
- Blind or serious difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses**
- Missing an arm, leg, hand, or foot**
- Paralysis: Partial or complete paralysis (any cause)**
- Significant Disfigurement: for example, severe disfigurements caused by burns, wounds, accidents, or congenital disorders**
- Significant Mobility Impairment: for example, uses a wheelchair, scooter, walker or uses a leg brace to walk**
- Significant Psychiatric Disorder: for example, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, PTSD, or major depression**
- Intellectual Disability (formerly described as mental retardation)**
- Developmental Disability: for example, cerebral palsy or autism spectrum disorder**
- Traumatic Brain Injury**
- Dwarfism**
- Epilepsy or other seizure disorder**
- Other disability or serious health condition: for example, diabetes, cancer, cardiovascular disease, anxiety disorder, or HIV infection; a learning disability, a speech impairment, or a hearing impairment**

If you did not select one of the options above, please indicate whether.

- None of the conditions listed above apply to me.**
- I do not wish to answer questions regarding disability/health conditions.**

If you have indicated that you have one of the above conditions, you may be eligible to apply under Schedule A Hiring Authority. For more information, please see <http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/disability-employment/hiring/#url=Schedule-A-Hiring-Authority>.

If an applicant checks the box for “other disability or serious health condition,” the applicant will be taken to Section A.1.

**A. 1. Other Disability or Serious Health Condition (Optional)**

You indicated that you have a disability or a serious health condition. If you are willing, please select any of the conditions listed below that apply to you. As explained above, your responses will not be shown to the panel rating the applications, to the selecting official, or to anyone else who can affect your application. All responses will remain private to the extent permitted by law. See the Privacy Act Statement below for more information.

Please check all that apply:

- I do not wish to specify any condition.
- Alcoholism
- Cancer
- Cardiovascular or heart disease
- Crohn’s disease, irritable bowel syndrome, or other gastrointestinal impairment
- Depression, anxiety disorder, or other psychological disorder
- Diabetes or other metabolic disease
- Difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses
- Hearing impairment
- History of drug addiction (but not currently using illegal drugs)
- HIV Infection/AIDS or other immune disorder
- Kidney dysfunction: for example, requires dialysis
- Learning disabilities or ADHD
- Liver disease: for example, hepatitis or cirrhosis
- Lupus, fibromyalgia, rheumatoid arthritis, or other autoimmune disorder
- Morbid obesity
- Nervous system disorder: for example, migraine headaches, Parkinson’s disease, or multiple sclerosis
- Non-paralytic orthopedic impairments: for example, chronic pain, stiffness, weakness in bones or joints, or some loss of ability to use parts of the body
- Orthopedic impairments or osteo-arthritis
- Pulmonary or respiratory impairment: for example, asthma, chronic bronchitis, or TB
- Sickle cell anemia, hemophilia, or other blood disease
- Speech impairment
- Spinal abnormalities: for example, spina bifida or scoliosis
- Thyroid dysfunction or other endocrine disorder
- Other. Please identify the disability/health condition, if willing: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIVACY ACT AND PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENTS**

**Privacy Act Statement:** This Privacy Act Statement is provided pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a (commonly known as the Privacy Act of 1974). The authority for this form is 5 U.S.C. 7201, which provides that the Office of Personnel Management shall implement a minority recruitment program, by the Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures, 29 C.F.R. Part 1607.4, which requires collection of demographic data to determine if a selection procedure has an unlawful disparate impact, and by Section 501 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which requires federal agencies to prepare affirmative action plans for the hiring and advancement of people with disabilities. Data relating to an individual applicant are not provided to selecting officials. This form will be seen by Human Resource personnel in the Office of Personnel Management (who are not involved in considering an applicant for a particular job) and by Equal Employment Opportunity Commission officials who will receive aggregate, non-identifiable data from the Office of Personnel Management derived from this form.

**Purpose and Routine Uses:** The aggregate, non-identifiable information summarizing all applicants for a position will be used by the Office of Personnel Management and by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to determine if the executive branch of the Federal Government is effectively recruiting and selecting individuals from all segments of the population. **Effects of Nondisclosure:** Providing this information is voluntary. No individual personnel selections are made based on this information. There will be no impact on your application if you choose not to answer any of these questions.

**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et. seq.) requires us to inform you that this information is being collected for planning and assessing affirmative employment program initiatives. Response to this request is voluntary. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. The estimated burden of completing this form is five (5) minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to [INSERT: Agency name and address] and to the Office of Management Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503.