

Seasonal Resource Assistant Job Description for the CT DEP Marine Fisheries Division's *Long Island Sound Trawl Survey*



The CT DEP Marine Fisheries Division's *Long Island Sound Trawl Survey* monitors the abundance and distribution of important finfish and invertebrate species within Long Island Sound. Temporary Seasonal Resource Assistants (SRA) are hired each year to assist the survey. SRA job duties include; sampling forty stations monthly (spring and fall) using a bottom trawl aboard the 50' research vessel John Dempsey, processing and ageing a variety of finfish samples in the laboratory, conducting data quality assurance procedures and data entry. Applicants must be able to lift & move 50 lbs. while underway, work outside in inclement weather, work outside for extended periods, and work well with others as well as independently.

SRA positions for the *Long Island Sound Trawl Survey* typically start on April 15th (end on Oct 15th) or start on May 15th (end on Nov 15th), although there is the possibility for different start dates depending on particular project objectives. Preferred applicants will be able to work the full six months. Since these are temporary positions there will be no health benefits.

Although R/V John Dempsey is often docked in Milford Harbor for sampling conducted in the central and western portions of the Sound, the *Long Island Sound Trawl Survey* is based out of DEP Marine Headquarters in Old Lyme, CT, and employees would be expected to drive to Old Lyme each workday.

For more information about the *Long Island Sound Trawl Survey*, contact the project leaders, Kurt Gottschall (kurt.gottschall@ct.gov) or Deb Pacileo (deb.pacileo@ct.gov).



To apply for an SRA on the *Long Island Sound Trawl Survey* submit an [employment application](#) to Joanne Kelley (joanne.kelley@ct.gov) at CT DEP Marine Fisheries, PO Box 719, Old Lyme, CT 06371 (860-434-6043). Be sure to indicate your interest in the Trawl Survey in your e-mail or cover letter.

An overview of all Marine Fisheries Projects can be found on the CT DEP Fishing web page: www.ct.gov/dep/fishing