



Recruitment for Position on the Independent Multidisciplinary Science Team

The State of Oregon is seeking a top scientist to serve on the Independent Multidisciplinary Science Team (IMST). The IMST was instituted in 1997 and serves as an impartial scientific review panel charged with advising the State of Oregon on matters of science related to fish recovery, water quality improvements, and enhancing watershed health within Oregon (Oregon Revised Statute 541.409). The IMST's principal work is to provide independent, scientific analysis, and evaluation of state actions and policies under the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds (Oregon Plan). The charge of the seven-member Team is to focus on science, maintain its independence, operate by consensus, and report its findings and conclusions in written reports and reviews.

Scientists serving on the IMST are recognized experts and contributors in disciplines related to fisheries, artificial fish propagation, stream ecology, forestry, rangeland science, watershed science, riparian ecology, or agricultural management. The candidates should be able to demonstrate leadership and expertise, and incorporate an understanding of landscape-level approaches to natural resource sciences and management.

Members of the IMST are jointly appointed by Oregon's Governor, Speaker of the House, and Senate President for 4-year terms. The members of the IMST are not chosen to represent a particular region, agency, commodity, special interest group, or political point of view. Members on the IMST are scientists from universities, federal agencies, or the private sector and are expected to be able to discuss and advise the State of Oregon and its agencies on the best available science as it applies to natural resource management in Oregon. The IMST operates under applicable state public meeting and public records laws.

The State of Oregon is currently recruiting to fill one position with expertise in the field of **Agricultural, Rangeland, or Watershed Management or Science, or a similar field**. The current position expires June 30, 2008, and replacement appointments will be made shortly thereafter. Deadline for submitting an interest form is June 15, 2008.

More information on the IMST and its operations, products, and meeting schedules can be found at <http://www.fsl.orst.edu/imst> or by contacting Kathy Maas-Hebner at 541-737-6105 or Kathleen.MaasHebner@oregonstate.edu.

Scientists interested in being considered for an appointment to the IMST may find information on Executive Appointments, including a formal interest form, at <http://governor.oregon.gov/Gov/boards.shtml>. An interest form and information may also be obtained from Nancy Goss Duran at the Executive Appointments office at 503-378-8471. For additional information, contact Suzanne Knapp, Policy Advisor, Governor's Natural Resource Office at 503-986-6527 or suzanne.knapp@state.or.us.