## Office of State Budget and Management Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions

(G.S. 143-34.1)

tion & Recreational Water Quali	ty
*** Position Information ***	
mental Specialist II	Proposed Salary Grade: _70
9	<b>Proposed Effective Date:</b> 11 /01/ 03
Center Authorized Budget 4954	<u>Current Request</u>
\$670,411 0	\$27,926 0
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## **Funding Source(s):**

This position will be fully funded by the EPA BEACH act grant that is available yearly to coastal states. The BEACH act grants are noncompetitive and do not require a match.

## **Justification:**

This position is needed to help the Recreational Water Quality Program manager with increasing responsibilities in a growing, high profile program. Because of the statewide responsibilities, the program manager is often needed at one of the three satellite offices or attending public meetings. This person will manage and be the spoke person for the Program when the program manager is not available. This person will also perform these public outreach and regional office coordination duties in the program manager's place when directed.

The person in this position will further the development and implementation of the recreational water quality program throughout the coastal zone of the state. The person will analyze water quality data and issue and rescind swimming advisories accordingly; will create and present written annual reports to

both state and federal agencies; will analyze water quality data and prepare compliance reports and program feedback to the US EPA; will coordinate with local health departments, local and state government and environmental non-profit groups on the recreational water quality program; will coordinate media coverage with the division; will respond to all public inquiries concerning water borne disease; will conduct public education and outreach; and will be responsible for updating and maintaining Recreation Water Quality database and Website.

The position will also assist in federal reporting requirements and issuing proclamations for the Shellfish Sanitation Program as needed.

Statutory Reference for Request	
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