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Revised request:

1. The number of Senior Scientific Officers (SSOs) in Resource Efficiency Division (RED).
2. The number of staff in grades analogous to Senior Scientific Officer in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) as on 10 July 2024.
3. The Principal Scientific Officer (PSO) post in NIEA Water Management Unit's Freshwater Monitoring and Assessment Team became vacant in Spring 2023 with the departure of Wendy McKinley. Please provide a copy of the paperwork issued to fill that post on a TP basis.
4. Confirm the number of Senior Scientific Officers (SSOs) in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) that were eligible to apply and
5. The number of staff in grades analogous to Senior Scientific Officer in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) that were eligible to apply.
6. A Principal Scientific Officer (PSO) post in NIEA's Regulation Unit, held by Stephanie Millar, became vacant in 2024 with the temporary departure of Stephanie Millar to a special project. Please provide a copy of the paperwork issued to fill that post on a TP basis.
7. Confirm the number of Senior Scientific Officers (SSOs) in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) that were eligible to apply.
8. The number of staff in grades analogous to Senior Scientific Officer in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) that were eligible to apply.
9. A Principal Scientific Officer (PSO) post in NIEA's Regulation Unit, held by Liz Smyth, became vacant in 2024 with the temporary departure of Liz Smyth to a special project. Please provide a copy of the paperwork issued to fill that post on a TP basis.
10. Confirm the number of Senior Scientific Officers (SSOs) in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) that were eligible to apply.
11. The number of staff in grades analogous to Senior Scientific Officer in Resource Efficiency Division (RED) that were eligible to apply.

DoF Response

I can confirm the department holds some of the information requested.

1. As at end of June 2024 (the most recent figures available at the time of request) there are **56** Senior Scientific Officers in Resource Efficiency Division (RED).
2. As at end of June 2024 (the most recent figures available at the time of request) there are **9** staff in grades analogous to Senior Scientific Officer in Resource Efficiency Division (RED)
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This information is not held by the Department as management of temporary promotions is the responsibility of individual business areas in Departments. You may wish to seek this information from DAERA at the following address: daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk