Natural Resources Specialist II

STATE CLASSIFICATION JOB DESCRIPTION

Natural Resources Specialist II

CLASS CODE: 2683

SALARY GROUP: B17

SALARY RANGE: $36,976 - $58,399

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs complex (journey-level) natural resources work. Work involves conducting conservation, management, protection, preservation, or utilization of natural resources work. May provide guidance to others. Works under general supervision, with moderate latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Performs data collection, research, analysis, evaluations, inspections, or surveys to determine the impact on natural resources.

Collects and analyzes natural resources, environmental, or botanical samples, as well as chemicals, toxic dust, pollutants, or other contaminants.

Conducts inspections, surveys, assessments, and studies; evaluates results with regard to their impact on the state’s natural resources; prepares recommendations regarding findings; and conducts follow-up inspections as required.

Conducts research or field studies on natural resources hazards.

Evaluates compliance requests and develops strategies for remedies.

Researches, prepares and reviews technical papers, permits, publications, and reports.

Prepares, assembles, and distributes educational materials; and conducts educational presentations and training programs.

Validates natural resources data, and assists in the development and use of complex simulation models and associated software.

Assists in formulating state- or area-wide environmental safety or health plans and natural resources programs.

May serve as a technical advisor and consultant on natural resources programs.

May conduct environmental, ecological, meteorological, or pollution-control assessments.

May provide guidance to others.
Performs related work as assigned.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Experience in environmental quality, natural resources, botany, or agronomy work. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major coursework in natural science or a related field is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of applicable local, state, and federal ordinances and laws; of environmental or chemical engineering; of chemical and biological analysis techniques and procedures; of radiological safety practices and techniques; of botany, ecology, taxonomy, and hydrology; and of the operation of municipal, agricultural, and industrial water treatment plants.

Skill in the operation and maintenance of laboratory and environmental equipment, and in the use of a computer and applicable software.

Ability to conduct inspections, surveys, investigative research, and studies; to analyze environmental and natural resource samples; to prepare reports; to provide expert testimony; to communicate effectively; and to provide guidance to others.