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Subject: WA ST DNR Water Rights Specialist Opportunity

Washington State Department of Natural Resources - Water Rights Specialist
Natural Resource Specialist 3/Natural Resource Specialist 2 In-Training
Recruitment #2018-01-7634
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SALARY RANGE:

NRS 3: \$3,883 – \$5,229 per month plus a comprehensive benefits package and retirement. We also offer paid vacation and generous sick leave as well as many other benefits.
NRS 2 In-Training: \$3,522 – \$4,737 per month plus the above benefits package.

LOCATION:

Ellensburg, Washington

CLOSES:

12 February 2018

POSITION PROFILE:

Interested in Water Resources and supporting the generation of revenue for schools for the beautiful and scenic State of Washington?

Join DNR's Agriculture team to sustainably manage water supplies on State Trust Lands for the benefit of the schools. This position is responsible for water supply data management, water use measurement and reporting for irrigated agriculture, and water-related analyses and recommendations for DNR leases that rely on State water supplies. Work includes providing programmatic guidance to Land Managers, providing guidance on day-to-day water rights and irrigation district allotment related issues, working to streamline business practices associated with our water rights portfolio, developing a water use measurement and reporting program and ensuring DNR water rights are not relinquished. This position may be filled at the *NRS 2 In-Training* level and upon successful completion of a formal training program the incumbent would be promoted to the NRS 3 level.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Natural Resource Specialist 3:

- Bachelor's degree involving major study in a water resource management, agriculture, environmental, or other natural resource or technical field related to water.
- Two to three (2-3) years' professional level experience in environmental analysis or control, environmental planning, water resources or natural resource management.
- Experience drafting and interacting with experts on documents including but not limited to contracts, compliance orders, and other complex technical documents.
- Managing a high workload and managing many projects congruently.
- Proficiency in MS Word, Excel and GIS.
- Excellent communication skills, i.e., writing, reading, speaking, and listening.
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain productive working relationships, respond effectively to changing needs and priorities, efficiently allocate resources, and create and implement program improvements.

Knowledge of:

- The ecological, hydrologic, engineering and socio-economic aspects of water usage and water supply. Knowledge of the historical governmental involvement with water supply, usage, and resource management.
- Current State and Federal water resource management laws and regulations, including water rights administration and water management planning.
- GIS mapping, database construction and maintenance.

Skills in:

- Establishing and maintaining effective working relationships within the Department, other governmental entities, private and public sectors.
- Analyzing and interpreting water resources management data.
- Must communicate both orally and in writing about highly technical and complex issues in a clear, well-organized manner.
- Using computers and computer models to organize, analyze and interpret water resources management data.

Ability to:

- Present complex technical and regulatory information in a concise and easily understood format both written and verbally
- Analyze a situation, identify problem area(s), propose solutions and assist in implementation of those solutions.
- Independently gather appropriate information from documents or through content knowledge experts to support the decision-making process.
- Work effectively with individuals and groups, both internally and externally; ability to maintain a customer service orientation through interactions with clients, consultants, agency staff and other individuals.

Natural Resource Specialist 2 In-Training: This position may be filled at this In-Training level:

- One to two (1-2) years of professional experience as a Natural Resources Specialist 1 or three (3) years of experience in water resources, natural resources, agriculture, environmental, or other related technical field.
- Experience drafting and interacting with experts on documents including but not limited to contracts, compliance orders, and other complex technical documents.
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