New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Notice of Vacancy
Filling of this position is contingent upon further approval process

Title: Program Specialist 1 (Unclassified)

Posting Number: WLM-2022-61

Open to: General Public

Workweek: NE (35-hour) Workweek

Salary: (P18) $49,742.44 — $70,150.48

Opening Date: 6/27/2022

Closing Date: 7/12/2022

Existing Vacancies: One (1)

Program/Location: Department of Environmental Protection
Watershed & Land Management
Office of Climate Resilience Planning/Blue Acres
44 South Clinton Avenue, 3rd Floor
Trenton, NJ 08625

Scope of Eligibility: Open to applicants who meet the requirements below.

Description: Under the close supervision of a Program Specialist 3 or 4, or other supervisory official in a state department, institution or agency, assists in the professional, administrative and analytical work to promote the planning, operation, implementation, monitoring and/or evaluation of various programs and services administered by the Department of assignment; assists in conducting the research and field work necessary to meet the needs of the appropriate state and/or local public or private agencies; does other related work.

Specific to the Position: Supporting of planning projects; reviewing local planning documents for consistency with climate resilience and environmental planning principles and policies; creating, analyzing, and presenting GIS data; researching existing practices in climate resilience; developing guidance documents; supporting the development of federal grants; outreach and engagement with local governments and community members.

Preferred Skill Set: Background in planning or policy, with an understanding of governance, planning law, and policy in NJ; an understanding of climate change and resilience principles; experience or understanding of outreach and engagement best practices, particularly for socially vulnerable and underserved communities; experience with or understanding of open space site design.

Requirements

Education: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree.

NOTE: All U.S. degrees and transcripts must be from an accredited college or university. All foreign degrees and transcripts must be evaluated for accreditation by a recognized evaluation service by the closing date of this
Experience: One (1) year of experience in planning, monitoring, coordinating, implementing, modifying and/or evaluating agency programs and services.

NOTE: Applicants who do not possess the required education may substitute additional experience on a year-for-year basis.

NOTE: A Master's degree from an accredited college or university in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for the experience requirement indicated above.

License: Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.

Residency: All persons newly hired on or after September 1, 2011 have one year from the date of employment to establish, and then maintain principal residence in the State of New Jersey subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L.2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act".

Authorization to Work: Selected candidates must be authorized to work in the United States per the Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services regulations. Note: The State of New Jersey does not provide sponsorship for citizenship to the United States.

Note: Interviews will be granted based on the cover letter, resume and credentials submitted in response to this notice. Applicants may be required to provide a copy of their transcripts at time of interview.

Per Executive Order 253, all State employees are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or undergo weekly testing. Please do not submit proof of vaccination at this time; instructions will be provided if an offer of employment results from this NOV.

Veteran’s Preference: To qualify for New Jersey Veteran’s Preference/status, you must establish Veteran’s Preference through the Department of Military and Veterans’ Affairs. Please submit proof of your Veteran’s Preference along with your resume as indicated below. For more information, please visit https://nj.gov/military/veterans/services/civil-service/preference/

Submit Letter of Interest, Resume and e-mail address by 4:00 PM on the Closing Date to:
   Sam Baldeo
   Watershed & Land Management
   E-mail Address: LUM.Resumes@dep.nj.gov
   Please include the title and posting # of this Notice of Vacancy in the subject line of your e-mail.

Posting Authorized By:
   Phiroza Stoneback, Manager
   Division of Human Resources

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to inclusive hiring and a diverse workforce. We strongly encourage people from all backgrounds to apply. Accommodations under ADA will be provided upon request.