

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Environmental Technician

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako is seeking applicants to fill a key position within the Environmental Services Department. The Environmental Technician position is situated in Burns Lake, BC, is permanent, full time (35 hours per week), and includes a comprehensive benefits package.

The Environmental Technician position has a starting wage of \$38.41 per hour for candidates meeting all education requirements. The Regional District is open to considering applications from persons with related experience that have the capacity to be trained and are open to educational opportunities to meet the position's requirements.

The Environmental Technician is responsible for the RDBN's environmental monitoring program, landfill leachate collection and treatment systems, contaminated soils program, landfill inspections, and report preparation for all of the above. The successful applicant must be willing to work outdoors, work independently and take on a high level of responsibility for assigned tasks. The Environmental Technician will also be required to assist other Environmental Services staff in performing other required tasks.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Implement the Regional District environmental monitoring programs (e.g. groundwater and surface water sampling at active and closed landfills). Conduct required field work, maintain database of analytical results, prepare reports, ensure familiarity with sampling results, and report any concerns to the Director of Environmental Services.
- Oversee and maintain the RDBN's landfill leachate collection and treatment systems, ensuring proper operation and discharge compliance. As required, conduct necessary field work, maintenance, prepare reports, and obtain effluent discharge authorization from the Ministry of Environment.
- Conduct drinking water and effluent sampling for the Fort Fraser municipal water and sewer system and report results to the system responsible.
- Oversee the contaminated soils disposal program, by reviewing disposal applications, maintaining database of disposed soils and reporting.
- Conduct inspections and prepare annual reports for active and closed landfills.
- Prepare other technical reports as required by the Ministry of Environment and other government organizations and prepare and present memorandums to the RDBN Board of Directors.
- Assist with project management of environmental projects.
- Assist other Environmental Services staff with various projects and programs as required.
- Maintain current knowledge regarding trends and developments in the management of urban and rural environmental matters.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.



Skills and Qualifications:

- Experience conducting groundwater and surface water sampling, reviewing analytical results and report preparation.
- Demonstrated technical competence in civil engineering, environmental sciences or similar and specifically solid waste management, water and wastewater treatment.
- Knowledge of local government practices, structure and functions.
- Knowledge and understanding of appropriate legislation.
- Knowledge of procurement processes.
- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Proficient with MS Office, specifically Word and Excel.
- Excellent attention to detail.
- Good time management and priority assessment as well as good organizational skills.
- Ability to work under pressure, meet deadlines, complete assignments in an effective manner.
- Ability to maintain effective relationships with the public, staff, contractors, officials, and outside agencies.
- Be safety conscious

Education:

- Post-Secondary Diploma or Degree in Biology, Environmental Sciences, Chemistry, or related
- Valid Class 5 BC Driver's License

Preferred Certifications:

- Environmental Monitoring Certificate
- OFA Level 1
- WHIMS
- SWANA Landfill Operations Basics
- Small Water Systems Operator Ticket
- Bear Aware

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled, with review beginning on Friday, November 17, 2023. Resumes should be addressed to:

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