# Water Authority Position Description

# REGULATORY POLICY MANAGER

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#### **POSITION SUMMARY**

REVIEW PROPOSED FEDERAL AND STATE POLICIES, GUIDANCE AND REGULATIONS AS IT RELATES TO COMPLIANCE WITH ALL PERMITS. PREPARE REPORTS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES. DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT REGULATORY AFFAIRS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO ENSURE THAT REGULATORY COMPLIANCE IS MAINTAINED OR ENHANCED. REVIEW DOCUMENTS FOR SUBMITTAL TO REGULATORY AGENCIES TO ENSURE SUBMISSION IS ACCURATE, TIMELY, AND CONSISTENT WITH REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, AND ASSIST WITH OTHER COMPLIANCE RELATED ACTIVITIES.

#### **MIN EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE REQ**

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN HYDROLOGY, WATER RESOURCES, BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, ENGINEERING OR A RELATED FIELD AND SIX (6) YEARS' EXPERIENCE MANAGING FEDERAL AND STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING, ASSESSMENT AND/OR COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS. EXPERIENCE WITH WATER OR WASTEWATER PROGRAMS PREFERRED.

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

POSSESSION OF OR ABILITY TO OBTAIN AND MAINTAIN A VALID AUTHORITY OPERATOR PERMIT (AOP)

POSSESSION OF A VALID NEW MEXICO DRIVER'S LICENSE

## SUPERVISION RECEIVED/EXERCISED

RECEIVE GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTION FROM THE COMPLIANCE MANGER AND CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER.

LEAD SUPERVISORY, TECHNICAL AND SUPPORT STAFF.

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

- 1. DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT REGULATORY STRATEGIES AND IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS. ANALYZE A WIDE RANGE OF OPERATIONAL, ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL ISSUES, PROVIDING RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.
- 2. DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS WITH STATE OR FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY AGENCIES TO ANALYZE PROPOSED LEGISLATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY REGULATIONS FOR POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON THE WATER AUTHORITY. REPRESENT THE WATER AUTHORITY BEFORE REGULATORY AGENCIES ON POLICY MATTERS OR DECISIONS REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE THAT IMPACT THE WATER AUTHORITY.
- 3. REVIEW PROPOSED FEDERAL AND STATE POLICIES, GUIDANCE AND REGULATIONS AS IT RELATES TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT, CLEAN WATER ACT, GROUND WATER DISCHARGE OR OTHER PERMITS. PREPARE REPORTS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND KEEP MANAGEMENT INFORMED OF PENDING ITEMS.
- 4. ESTABLISH PROCEDURES OR SYSTEMS FOR PUBLISHING DOCUMENT SUBMISSIONS EITHER IN HARDCOPY OR ELECTRONIC FORMATS. REVIEW REPORTS REQUIRED BY REGULATORY AGENCIES, EVALUATE AND ASSIST IN REVISING PROCEDURAL CONVENTIONS FOR TEMPLATES AND SCHEDULES TO ASSURE TIMELINESS AND PROCEDURAL COMPLIANCE.
- 5. WORK WITH WATER QUALITY AND NPDES (NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM) PROGRAM MANAGERS OR OTHER MANAGERS TO EVALUATE COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND PROGRAMS THROUGH PERMITTING, SELF-ASSESSMENTS, AUDITS, INSPECTIONS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND ENFORCEMENT AND CORRECTIVE ACTION ACTIVITIES.
- 6. ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE AND REPRESENT THE WATER AUTHORITY BEFORE AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION, NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE OR OTHER PROFESSIONAL GROUPS. PREPARE REPORTS OF PARTICIPATION AND ACTIVITIES.
- 7. TRAIN STAFF IN REGULATORY POLICIES OR PROCEDURES. REVIEW OR PREPARE USER MANUALS OR TRAINING MATERIALS TO ENSURE THAT REGULATORY AGENCIES REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.
- 8. LEAD OR PARTICIPATE IN THE RESEARCH, COORDINATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF REVISED ORDINANCES, POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS.
- 9. ASSIST IN REVIEW AND PREPARATION OF DOCUMENTATION AND SUBMISSION TO APPROPRIATE REGULATORY AGENCIES AS NECESSARY. PROVIDE REGULATORY GUIDANCE TO COMPLIANCE DIVISION OR UPPER MANAGEMENT.

## **SUPPLEMENTAL FUNCTIONS**

- 1. MAINTAIN CURRENT KNOWLEDGE OF RELEVANT REGULATIONS AND TRENDS IN THE ASSIGNED FIELD.
- 2. DEVELOP AND MAKE PRESENTATIONS TO VARIOUS GROUPS, AND ORGANIZATIONS.
- 3. SERVE AS WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSIONER, IF APPOINTED.
- 4. PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL PROJECTS AND PERFORM RELATED DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS REQUIRED.

#### PREFERRED KNOWLEDGE

STATE AND FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGULATORY AGENCIES, INCLUDING THEIR JURISDICTION AND MAJOR REGULATIONS

PRINCIPLES, PRACTICES, AND TECHNIQUES OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND PROTECTION

GENERAL PRACTICES, SERVICES AND OPERATIONS OF WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES MODERN OFFICE PROCEDURES, METHODS AND EQUIPMENT INCLUDING COMPUTERS PRINCIPLES OF BUSINESS LETTER WRITING AND TECHNICAL REPORT PREPARATION ENGLISH USAGE, SPELLING, GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION PERTINENT FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL CODES, LAWS AND REGULATIONS METHODS AND TECHNIQUES OF EVALUATING SYSTEM PERFORMANCE AND RECOMMENDING MODIFICATIONS

#### PREFERRED SKILL/ABILITY

DEVELOP EFFECTIVE WRITTEN COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS FOR VARIOUS FEDERAL AND STATE REGULATORY AGENCIES

ANALYZE AND ASSESS PROGRAMS, POLICIES AND OPERATIONAL NEEDS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS

INTERPRET AND EXPLAIN WATER AUTHORITY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES UTILIZE COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND PROGRAMS RELATED TO ASSIGNED AREA ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING DATA NEEDS, DATA COLLECTION TOOLS, PERFORMANCE TARGETS, BENCHMARKS, ASSESSMENT AND AUDIT METHODS

WORK INDEPENDENTLY IN THE ABSENCE OF SUPERVISION

COMMUNICATE CLEARLY AND CONCISELY, BOTH ORALLY AND IN WRITING ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THOSE CONTACTED IN THE COURSE OF WORK

OPERATE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING COMPUTERS AND SUPPORTING WORD PROCESSING AND SPREADSHEET APPLICATIONS

INTERPRET AND APPLY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL POLICIES, LAWS AND REGULATIONS

SOLVE COMPLEX PROBLEMS AND COMMUNICATE THEM TO INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CUSTOMERS

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

OFFICE AND FIELD ENVIRONMENT; EXPOSURE TO COMPUTER SCREENS

## **PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

ESSENTIAL AND MARGINAL FUNCTIONS MAY REQUIRE MAINTAINING PHYSICAL CONDITION NECESSARY FOR SITTING, STANDING, OR WALKING FOR PROLONGED PERIODS; TRAVEL FROM OFFICE TO SITE.