

Job Title: Environmental Health Specialist I/II

Closing Date/Time: Tue. 02/22/11 11:59 PM Pacific Time

Salary: \$20.50 - \$24.98 Hourly
\$1,639.69 - \$1,998.35 Biweekly
\$3,552.67 - \$4,329.75 Monthly
\$42,632.00 - \$51,957.00 Annually

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Visalia, California

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One current vacancy with the Health and Human Services Agency in Visalia. This recruitment will establish an employment list to fill current and future vacancies. The anticipate life of the list is six months.

From August 1, 2010 until July 30, 2011, most Tulare County employees will experience a 1.92% reduction in pay. Salary listed on flyer does not reflect this reduction.

Typical Duties:

Conduct inspections of food handling and industrial establishments, water supply systems, sewage disposal systems, solid waste disposal sites, housing units, schools and public buildings, recreational and bathing facilities, underground storage tank systems, biomedical waste management, and air pollution sources to ensure compliance with state and local laws and regulations governing environmental quality control; recommend changes and give instructions for correction of deficiencies; note violations and secure voluntary compliance; issue written notices of violation or take steps to initiate legal action to enforce compliance; collect food, water, air, soil, and effluent samples for laboratory analysis; investigate violations and complaints regarding insect, rodent, animal and other public health nuisances; check for violations of agricultural and open burning regulations; instruct and make recommendations to individuals and groups in methods of control; collect evidence and appear as a witness in court; review and approve permits, building plans, and specifications of water, sewage, pool, underground tank control systems, emergency response plans and procedures, and waste handling systems; prepare reports and correspondence; maintain files on inspections and investigations; use and maintain a variety of scientific precision measuring instruments; interpret laws and regulations and act as a resource person for private and public agencies; keep records,

prepare reports, and participate in special studies and surveys; attend meetings and training classes and make presentations regarding situations and programs.

Employment Standards:

Education/Experience:

Must possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in environmental health science or related field or possess alternate qualifications per California Health and Safety Code Sections 106600 et al.

II LEVEL: One year of experience in an approved environmental health program is preferred.

Knowledge of:

Federal and State laws and regulations governing environmental quality control; water and land use; field test procedures; methods and techniques for interviewing, investigating and conducting inspections and resolving pollution problems and health threats; environmental research and statistical methods; general principles of environmental quality control, sanitation and public health; principles of chemistry, biology, microbiology and environmental health sciences; advanced math including algebra, geometry and statistical analysis; proper sampling procedures for laboratory analysis; relevant scientific and technical terminology.

Skill/Ability to:

Read, interpret and apply laws, rules, regulations and technical information; analyze situations and take effective action; explain technical information to people from various educational and socioeconomic backgrounds; establish and maintain records; present technical information in graphic form; read and interpret numbers on dials, gauges and meters; instruct in the methods and procedures of sanitary inspection and correction of unsanitary conditions; write clear, concise, grammatically correct reports, memos, and letters; give and follow complex verbal and written instructions; coordinate work with others; adjust to changes in workload; establish priorities and meet deadlines; read and understand operational and mechanical procedures of source sampling equipment.

LICENSE/CERTIFICATES:

I LEVEL: Possession of a letter from the State Department of Health Services, Office of Local Environmental Health Programs, stating that the applicant is capable of meeting minimum standards for admission to the examination for registration

according to California Administrative Code, within three years from date of appointment.

II LEVEL: Certificate of registration as an Environmental Health Specialist issued by the California State Department of Health Services.

Additional Information:

Conditions of Employment:

Candidates selected will be required to pass a pre-employment drug screening. For some classifications, a physical exam will be conducted to ensure the applicant's fitness for duty. This process may include a physical ability and/or ergonomic assessment. Additionally, a background investigation may also be conducted.

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