

Who We Are:

The Department of Environment and Conservation exists to enhance the quality of life for citizens of Tennessee and to be stewards of our natural environment.

We foster a work environment that's inclusive as well as diverse, where our people can be themselves. Every idea and perspective is valued so that our culture reflects the people we serve.

Our Department is committed to providing a cleaner, safer environment that goes hand-in-hand with economic prosperity and increased quality of life in Tennessee. We deliver on our mission through managing regulatory programs that maintain standards for air, water and soil quality while providing assistance to businesses and communities in areas ranging from recreation to waste management. We manage the state park system and programs to inventory, interpret and protect Tennessee's rich natural, historical and archaeological heritage.

Bureau of Conservation:

Within TDEC, the Bureau of Conservation is responsible for the strategic leadership, management, and over-sight of our Tennessee State Parks, State Natural Areas, State Archaeology, and the Office of Outdoor Recreation.

About the Office of Outdoor Recreation:

The Office of Outdoor Recreation serves as a resource, a partner, and a leader in supporting sustainable, accessible, and welcoming outdoor recreation to improve the quality of life and economic vitality across the State of Tennessee.



Outdoor Partnership Coordinator Office of Outdoor Recreation Annual Salary Range: \$76,596 - \$121,296

Overview:

Does being outside make you smile like Bill Dance reeling in a large-mouth bass? Do you love Tennessee's great outdoors and have a passion for conservation? If so, then we want to hear from you! We're looking for an outdoor recreation enthusiast with a keen eye for project management, stakeholder engagement, and nurturing partner relationships.

This Executive Service position is at TDEC's Central Office in Nashville and is part of the state's Office of Outdoor Recreation. The position reports to the Office's Director. The position will work in the central office and remotely, with periodic fieldwork across the state requiring light to moderate travel. The preferred candidate brings experience in planning, organizing, and directing outdoor recreation projects and events, including activities such as hiking, biking, paddling, fishing, and hunting, while also demonstrating a knowledge of conservation practices. To apply for this position please visit: <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

General Responsibilities Include:

- Serve as a leader in outdoor recreation and drive collaborative outcomes.
- Develop and execute the state's outdoor recreation strategic plan.
- Support conservation goals by encouraging stewardship and evidence-based decision making.
- Ability to decipher and relay research related to outdoor recreation.
- Manage a myriad of outdoor recreation related projects that further the state's outdoor recreation goals and initiatives.
- Prepare detailed reports for state executives and other stakeholders that highlight current projects, activities, and measured success.
- Nurture the collaborative relationships between outdoor partner agencies including state, federal, local, and non-profits.
- Support the Tennessee Outdoor Partnership Advisory Council and its quarterly meetings.
- Engage stakeholders, along with organizing and participating in outdoor recreation activities and special events across the state.

Education and Experience Qualifications:

Required experience: Bachelor's degree and 5 years of full-time professional experience in natural resource or recreation management. A post-graduate or Master's Degree is preferred.

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