

## 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.

## About the Division of Solid Waste Management:

The Division of Solid Waste Management is responsible for protecting the health and environmental quality for all Tennesseans through responsive and effective oversight of waste management activities. The activities are land-based, regulating both solid waste and hazardous waste through specialized programs and functions. These include landfill permits, hazardous waste permits, state remediation program, used oil management, lead-based paint abatement, special waste, universal waste, and annual waste reporting. We also provide technical and financial assistance in the recovery and management of materials for reuse and recycling supporting end users and manufacturers.



## TDEC Environmental Scientist 1 Interim Appointment Division of Solid Waste Management Annual Salary Range: \$47,496 – \$71,400

Are you looking for an opportunity to work with a collaborative, diverse team in the Tennessee State government? Interested in protecting our environment and public health? This may be the perfect opportunity for you! This interim position with the Division of Solid Waste Management works within the Solid Waste Program and is in our Central Office in Nashville. This position offers the opportunity to work with diverse stakeholders across multiple State/Federal agencies and interact with internal and external customers. This is an interim position for not longer than one year but may have the opportunity to continue in the same or another role within the division upon completing the interim assignment.

This position facilitates Solid Waste Program permitting actions and serves as the coordinator for reviewing Special Waste applications and recertifications. Additionally, this position audits solid waste permit holders for compliance with reporting, record keeping, and proper fee payment to the State. Preferred candidates will have an understanding of the State of Tennessee Solid Waste Management Regulations, experience with waste classifications, and will have experience with data tracking and management using Excel and other software. The successful candidate will be competent in using Microsoft Office 365 products, including Word, Excel, and Outlook. Minimum Qualifications (MQs) include a Bachelor of Science degree in environmental science, biology, chemistry, geology, engineering, or other acceptable science or natural resource-related field and one year of full-time professional environmental program or natural resource conservation work. Candidates must meet the MQs for this position. For MQs and how to apply, please visit <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

### Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Review, distribute, and track Special Waste Applications and Special Waste Recertifications.
- Contact facilities with delinquent submittals or fees to collect and communicate such delinquencies to leadership.
- Review permit submittals, collect missing information, and prepare submittals for peer review.
- Contact facilities and city/county representatives regarding public participation requirement.
- Track permitting activities from application to decision, and record the activities as they occur, including fee collection. Maintain tracking databases, as needed.

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