

## 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 Underground Storage Tanks:

UST serves as the regulatory agency for petroleum underground storage tanks in Tennessee. The Division is accountable for protecting the health and environmental community for all Tennesseans through responsive and effective oversight of petroleum USTs to prevent future releases and remediation of existing petroleum UST contamination at active and inactive sites where petroleum underground storage tanks operate or have operated within the state. The Division has staff in the Central Office as well as eight Environmental Field Offices located across the state.



## TDEC Environmental Scientist 1 Division of Underground Storage Tanks Cookeville Environmental Field Office Annual Salary Range: \$47,496 - \$71,400

Are you seeking an opportunity to work with a collaborative team in the Tennessee State government? Are you concerned with protecting our environment and public health? The Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Underground Storage Tanks (UST), offers a position that serves as operational compliance inspector. This position secures our mission to protect human health and the environment by ensuring the State of Tennessee's rules and regulations are followed in the Cookeville 14 county region and beyond. This position performs beginner-level responsibilities working in a collaborative, high-performing environment. TDEC employees are currently working in alternative workspaces from their homes with some scheduled time in their assigned offices.

This position requires excellent communication skills to effectively serve a broad and diverse customer base. Candidates must be familiar with Microsoft 365 applications and willing to learn database entry. Preferred candidates will have a bachelor's degree in engineering, biology, physical sciences, or other related environmental science fields. Since the position conducts fieldwork at UST sites, daily travel is required, along with some overnight stays. For MQs and how to apply, please visit: <http://www.tn.gov/careers>.

### Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Interact with the regulated community and public regarding petroleum underground storage tank rules and regulations in relation to operational compliance.
- Conduct inspections and perform necessary enforcement referrals related to operational compliance at petroleum sites according to regulatory requirements and scientific principles.
- Conduct regulatory and scientific proficiency reviews of plans, reports, and various related submittals.
- Compose clearly written correspondence and documentation of field activities.

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