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Environmental Planner

Position opening: Durham, NC.

GoTriangle is seeking an enthusiastic environmental planner to support the Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit (D-O LRT) Project team. The environmental planner will be responsible for monitoring the development of the Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Project (D-O LRT) Project design to ensure environmental compliance.

This new environmental planner will provide consultant oversight and assist the current environmental planner with the preparation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) environmental re-evaluations and supporting technical memoranda, as well as any required supplemental environmental documentation in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) for the D-O LRT Project. In addition, under guidance from the current environmental planner, the new environmental planner will provide regulatory and permitting support necessary to obtain local, state, and federal permits for the project, including the review of consultant-prepared permit applications, coordination with regulatory agencies, and completion of monitoring and reporting responsibilities.

As other capital projects and/or high capacity transit projects (including light rail, commuter rail, bus rapid transit, park-and-rides, and/or bus facilities) in the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill region develop, the environmental planner may assist and/or lead the preparation of any required environmental documents.

The ideal candidate will demonstrate exceptional technical writing, research, and analytical abilities, as well as excellent interpersonal and oral communication skills. The candidate must be highly motivated, work efficiently, pay attention to details, and demonstrate effective organizational and time-management skills.

The ideal candidate will demonstrate experience and/or interest in environmental planning and permitting, especially in the preparation of NEPA documents according to FTA guidelines (1-5 years of NEPA/SEPA experience preferred; however, a combination of applicable internships can count toward experience). The candidate must demonstrate familiarity with federal, state, and local requirements for the protection of environmental resources, cultural assets, and human populations.

Responsibilities Include (but not limited to):

- Participating in interdisciplinary meetings to monitor the development of the D-O LRT Project design to ensure NEPA/SEPA and FTA environmental compliance.
- Documenting design discrepancies in compliance with the project configuration management and change control procedures.
- Assisting the current environmental planner with consultant oversight of consultant work products, including technical memoranda, environmental re-evaluation checklists, and environmental documentation prepared in accordance with NEPA/SEPA and FTA environmental review requirements.
- Coordinating with FTA, the project's cooperating agencies (i.e., USACE, USEPA FHWA), and various participating agencies (e.g., NCDOT, NCDEQ, NCSHPO, local governments, etc.), as necessary.
- Working with the D-O LRT Project Team to develop strategies for communicating technical information about the project in plain language and to actively engage the public in providing meaningful feedback that informs the project's design.
- Providing regulatory and permitting support necessary to obtain local, state, and federal permits for the project.
- Developing materials and presenting to the Board of Trustees, other elected and appointed officials, and the general public.
- Researching current industry trends and opportunities, examining local, state and federal programs in regards to meeting NEPA requirements.
- Performing other duties as assigned.

The qualified candidate holds a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four year college or university in planning, environmental science, public policy/administration, or a related field. A Master's Degree is preferred. The candidate is required to have at least one to five (1-5) years of professional experience and/or interest in environmental planning and permitting is preferred (a combination of applicable internships can count toward experience). A field-related professional certification, such as the American Institute of Certified Environmental Planners (AICP), AICP Certified Environmental Planner (AICP CEP), or the Academy of Board Certified Environmental Professionals' Certified Environmental Planner (ABCEP CEP) is preferred. Knowledge of federal, state, and local laws and requirements for the protection of environmental resources, cultural assets, and human populations, including federal and state requirements of NEPA/SEPA is required for this role. Some essential skills include exceptional technical writing, research, and analytical abilities, as well as interpersonal skills required to effectively communicate with government officials, agency staff, and the general public, and the ability to work efficiently on several objectives at once. The candidate should have a working understanding of PC's, with experience using Microsoft Office packages, Microsoft SharePoint, ArcGIS, and Google-Earth Pro. Salary range is \$51,870 - \$97,025 and a comprehensive benefits package is offered.

Qualified applicants can email cover letter and resume to jobs@gotriangle.org. No phone calls or 3rd party solicitations, please. EOE.