

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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State Title: **Geoscientist V**
Functional Title:
Job Posting: **16113**
Monthly Salary: \$5258.66 - \$6350.58
Salary Group: B25
Posting Date: 01/05/2016
Close Date: 01/20/2016
Section/Division: Permit Support Compliance & Gw Section/ Water Availability Division
Work Location: 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, TX 78753
Openings: One(1)
Position #(s): 1533

Job Description:

Provides highly advanced consultative and technical geoscience expertise for Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) groundwater protection programs, facilitating compliance with state and federal laws and specifications for coordination and implementation. Provides technical and administrative support to the Texas Groundwater Protection Committee (TGPC), to fulfill TCEQ obligations under Texas Water Code, §§26.401 – 26.408. Includes assisting in the preparation of biannual reports to the Legislature, educational materials, and research plans. Assists in the development and review of statewide groundwater protection recommendations, legislative proposals and rules governing the TGPC. Serves as the division liaison to the Office of Compliance and Enforcement's Edwards Aquifer Protection Program (EAPP), to fulfill TCEQ obligations under Texas Water Code, Chapter 26. Reviews and assists in the development of rule packages, processes for public participation to solicit comment on Edwards Aquifer protection. Evaluates NEPA documents for groundwater and Sole-Source Aquifer impacts. Serves as the agency's designated representative to the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan Stakeholders Group, to continue TCEQ obligations under the Edwards Aquifer Authority Act. Serves as subject matter expert or expert witness on matters related to groundwater monitoring and groundwater quality protection. Assists with the coordination of the agency's Impact Evaluation Team (IET) for notification of groundwater contamination that may affect water wells, to fulfill TCEQ obligations under Texas Water Code, §26.408. Develops, reviews, or manages groundwater quality research contracts to strengthen TCEQ groundwater protection programs under the state groundwater protection policy.

Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) Codes: 72D, AG, 180x, 646X, 8831, 9S100, and 8E000

Minimum Qualifications:

Licensed as a Geoscientist by the Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists (TBPG) plus ten years of full-time geological experience. A graduate degree in a geoscience discipline (COPY OF OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION) may substitute for one year of the required experience, with a maximum of two years substitution allowed.

Preferred Requirements:

Experience working with Texas groundwater quality protection policies and regulations.
Experience with multi-agency or stakeholder coordination and communication to facilitate development of agency statutory reports and recommendations.
Experience analyzing and implementing legislation and/or agency rulemaking.

Special Requirements:

Moving up to 25 pounds of equipment or administrative materials.

Traveling up to 5% of the time.

Condition of Employment:

TCEQ will verify Selective Service registration for males born on or after January 1, 1960. If exempt from Selective Service registration selected candidate must provide proof of exemption on first day of employment. Offers of employment are contingent on the candidate having legal authorization to work for the TCEQ. TCEQ will conduct a criminal history records search on candidates selected for posted vacancies. Only applicants who are interviewed will receive written non-selection notification.

Submit a standard State of Texas application for **each job posting** to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Human Resources & Staff Services (HRSS) office by 5:00 p.m. on the closing date. A signed faxed or emailed copy is acceptable. In compliance with ADA, if you need any special accommodations during the employment process, please contact HRSS for assistance.

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