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 Tennessee State Parks

From its beginning in 1937, Tennessee State Parks were established to protect and preserve the unique natural, cultural, and historic resources of Tennessee. The public interest has also been served by a variety of benefits for citizens and communities produced by our state park system, promoting stronger communities and healthier citizens across the state through diverse resource-based recreation while conserving the natural environment for today and tomorrow – preserving authentic Tennessee places and spaces for future generations to enjoy. As stewards of the resources in our parks, we seek to manage Tennessee’s state parks in order to preserve and protect valued resources and to provide a balance of services and benefits for the enjoyment of the people.

Our Tennessee State Parks are among the most beautiful parks in the United States. We have an outstanding leadership opportunity to work in a beautiful work environment at Narrows of the Harpeth State Park located in Kingston Springs, TN. The Park Manager ensures that the mission of Tennessee State Parks is achieved and implemented, while managing the day-to-day operations at the park. The Park Manager assists with community outreach programs and partners with local businesses, schools and area officials to promote the park and impact economic development.

Preferred candidates for this position will a have a bachelor's degree in History, Natural Resource based management (Natural Resources, Forestry, Wildlife Biology, etc.), Park and Recreation Management or related fields. Preferred candidates will have 5+ years' natural resource and/or parks and recreation professional experience. It is required that the candidate be a state commissioned officer recognized by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy or is willing to become commissioned. To apply for this position: https://www.tn.gov/careers.

Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Administer an annual operating budget of $519,000.
- Oversee natural resource management of the park's 600 acres and manage 9 river access sites along 40 river miles of the Harpeth River.
- Establish performance measures for operations and programs that allow for effective measures of accountability and provide for evaluation of quality and feasibility of operations and programs. Participate in the implementation and coordination of policies and methods for park operations.
- Study, review, and enforce state policies and guidelines at the park level.
- Coordinate with the Middle TN Regional Maintenance Office, to provide oversight and facility maintenance for all of the park's facilities.
- Evaluate park operations and make recommendations/decisions on services to enhance economy and to improve the quality of operations and services.

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee's Workplace Discrimination and Harassment policy, the State is firmly committed to the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities for its citizens and strives to protect the rights and opportunities of all people to seek, obtain, and hold employment without being subjected to illegal discrimination and harassment in the workplace. It is the State's policy to provide an environment free of discrimination and harassment of an individual because of that person's race, color, national origin, age (40 and over), sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status or any other category protected by state and/or federal civil rights laws.