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 Mineral and Geologic Resources:

DMGR is responsible for ensuring the environmentally sound management, protection and documentation of the state's mineral, land and energy resources for all Tennesseans and future generations. The Division handles the permitting, inspection, and enforcement compliance of mineral extraction activities for both fuel and non-fuel minerals, the reclamation of abandoned coal mines left unreclaimed prior to the enactment of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (SMCRA) and where there is no responsible party, and also Survey (TGS) which conducts geologic hazards research, public service and education programs, and basic and applied research on geology and mineral resources.



TDEC Environmental Protection Specialist 2 Division of Mineral & Geologic Resources Knoxville Environmental Field Office Abandoned Mine Land Program Annual Salary Range: \$53,400 - \$66,600

Are you looking for an exciting career opportunity where you can see the impact of the work you do? The Land Reclamation Section has a position in the Knoxville Environmental Field Office that will work as part of a collaborative team in the reclamation of Tennessee's abandoned mining lands. The position will offer a mix of office and year-round fieldwork.

We are seeking candidates with experience in environmental engineering with an emphasis on mining reclamation. This position will assist the Land Reclamation Section's chief engineer with the design of AML reclamation projects, oversee their construction, and provide technical support to program staff. The preferred candidate will have a bachelor's degree in engineering, at least three years of full-time professional engineering work, experience designing abandoned mine reclamation plans, and an ability to prioritize between multiple assignments. Candidates must meet the minimum qualifications (MQs) for this position. For MQs and how to apply please visit: <u>http://www.tn.gov/careers</u>.

Highlighted Responsibilities:

- As part of the AML Program's engineering group, design and develop mine reclamation projects in accordance with standard engineering and environmental practices.
- Provide technical support to DMGR on mine reclamation issues and to program staff overseeing reclamation project construction.
- Research and investigate abandoned mine sites and assist with identifying sites suitable for development into reclamation projects.
- Oversee and monitor reclamation projects to ensure engineering and environmental standards are met and project construction is completed in compliance with contract specifications and timelines.
- Calculate and verify AML project quantities, volumes, and acreages.
- Utilize CAD and GIS to support all facets of program activities.
- Cultivate professional relationships with landowners, contractors, and government and non-government stakeholders.

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.