

## 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.

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 Solid Waste Management (SWM):

The Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) is responsible for protecting the health and environmental quality for all Tennesseans through responsive and effective oversight of waste management activities. DSWM activities are land-based, regulating both solid waste and hazardous waste through specialized programs and functions. These include landfill permits, hazardous waste permits, used oil management, lead-based paint abatement, special waste, universal waste, and annual waste reporting. DSWM also provides technical and financial assistance in the recovery and management of materials for reuse and recycling supporting end users and manufacturers.



## TDEC Environmental Protection Specialist 2 Columbia Environmental Field Office Division of Solid Waste Management Annual Salary Range: \$49,092 - \$78,552

Are you seeking an opportunity to work with a collaborative team in Tennessee State government? Are you concerned with protecting our environment and public health? This position works with our Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM), Solid Waste Program, is located in the Columbia Environmental Field Office in Columbia, TN. This position reviews engineering plans, specifications, reports, and permit applications for solid waste facilities in the Columbia Environmental Field Office region. Currently, TDEC employees are working in alternative workspaces from their home with the flexibility to have scheduled time in their office.

The preferred candidate will have a broad knowledge of and senior level experience in design, construction, maintenance, and monitoring of solid waste facilities. This position requires travel daily with occasional overnight stays in a multi county area. Educational requirements include graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree in engineering; experience equivalent to one year of full-time professional environmental engineering work. Candidates must be competent using Microsoft Office 365 products and comfortable using a variety of databases to track information and reports. To apply for this position visit: <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

### Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Inspect permitted solid waste facilities to ensure compliance with state regulations and issued permits.
- Attend Show Cause meetings, public hearings and participates in compliance meetings.
- Perform environmental investigations, remediation, and monitors work of solid and hazardous waste facilities, including the sampling and evaluation of pollutants to determine compliance with environmental or other standards.
- Complete inspection reports of the facilities and enters the information into the departmental or division databases.
- Determine validity and severity of violation(s) and if an enforcement action is warranted. Provides clear and accurate information regarding regulatory evaluations to be submitted for Enforcement Action Requests.

*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.*