

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.

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



TDEC Environmental Scientist 2 Division of Solid Waste Management Used Oil Program Annual Salary Range: \$44,520 - \$71,256

Looking for an opportunity to work with a collaborative, diverse team in Tennessee State government? Interested in protecting our environment and public health? This may be the perfect opportunity for you. This position with the Division of Solid Waste Management, Used Oil Program, reviews, monitors, and provides regulatory oversight statewide relative to the implementation of the Used Oil Act. The position provides technical expertise and provide assistance for the management of used oil generated by citizens and business owners. The position is located in our Central Office in Nashville, TN. Currently, TDEC employees are working in alternative workspaces from their home with the flexibility to have scheduled time in the Central Office.

This position offers the opportunity to work with diverse stakeholders across multiple State/Federal agencies and interacts with both internal and external customers. The preferred candidate will have a bachelor's degree in environmental science, physical sciences (e.g. physics, chemistry, geology, meteorology), ecology, sustainability or applied science in sustainability, life sciences, engineering or other acceptable science or natural resource related field. Preference will be given to candidates with one year of full-time professional environmental program, natural resource conservation work or full-time professional work that involves ensuring compliance with regulations. The position requires competent knowledge using Microsoft Office 365 products, including Microsoft Excel, Word, and Outlook. To apply for this position, please visit: <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Review, monitor, and provide regulatory oversight statewide relative to the implementation of the Used Oil Act.
- Provide technical expertise and assistance to citizens and business owners for the management of used oil.
- Provide technical and subject matter expertise in the development of policy, rules, and grant guidance relative to this subject matter.
- Train and educate local governments and public on used oil matters.
- Assist with other matters relating to materials management.

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.