

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 environmental 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 Remediation:

The Division of Remediation (DoR) identifies and investigates hazardous substance sites, then uses practical and effective remedies to correct issues found which minimizes threats to public health, safety, and the environment. DoR oversees work at National Priority List (NPL) Superfund sites, state inactive hazardous substance sites, brownfields, dry cleaners, and properties where methamphetamine was illegally manufactured. DoR operates the Voluntary Cleanup, Oversight and Assistance Program (VOAP) and supports the redevelopment and revitalization of brownfields to protect the environment, reuse existing infrastructure, minimize urban sprawl and create economic opportunities. The DoR Oak Ridge office focuses on the US Department of Energy (DOE) Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR). DoR concentrates on joint remedial decisions made with the DOE and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).



TDEC Environmental Protection Specialist 1 Division of Remediation – Oak Ridge Salary Range: \$40,380 - \$64,620

Are you interested in protecting our environment and public health? The Division of Remediation is seeking an entry level engineer for our Oak Ridge Office to assist in the oversight of various landfill and waste management operations for the cleanup of contaminants at the Department of Energy (DOE) Oak Ridge Reservation.

The preferred candidate will apply their educational experience to hazardous waste disposal evaluations, waste acceptance criteria reviews, landfill operation compliance and site closure plans. This position will support the TDEC lead for the existing hazardous and low-level waste landfill and the planning efforts for a proposed landfill. The ability to think critically and provide analysis of data and reports is essential. The preferred candidate will have experience establishing professional working relationships with internal and external partners. A DOE clearance is required for this position and candidates must possess or be able to obtain this clearance. To apply for this position: <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Assist the site lead with the current low-level radiological and hazardous waste disposal facility, including closure.
- Support site lead for the planning of the proposed low-level radiological and hazardous waste disposal facility, including Waste Acceptance Criteria development
- Conduct technical review and evaluation of DOE submitted documents pertaining to waste management for both chemical and radiological contaminants.
- Participate in the review of Waste Handling Plans for clean-up projects at the Oak Ridge Reservation.
- Collaborate and coordinate with the U.S. EPA and the DOE to address and resolve compliance concerns for effective waste disposal outcomes.
- As a representative of the State, at the project team level, be comfortable speaking on waste management and landfill issues.
- Be able to interpret and follow state and federal environmental regulations, such as solid waste regulations; Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act; and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

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.