

ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTOR

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Administers and enforces all provisions outlined in environmental laws; does related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision of the municipal Engineer, the Environmental Inspector performs professional work requiring the inspection of sites to assure compliance with laws governing Wetlands/Watercourse Protection Law, Erosion/Sedimentation Law and similar laws and legislation concerning the environment. In addition, the incumbent provides technical advice and works with developers to mitigate impact of construction on the natural environment at the work site. This position is not responsible for the preparation or issuance of permits or the delineation of wetlands. Supervision is not a responsibility of this position.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Conducts field inspections of permit work in progress; advises permit holder of variations/violations;

Conducts final inspections; advises permit holders and officials of successful completion of permit work;

Completes written progress reports;

Patrols construction sites for evidence of unauthorized activity governed by the municipality's Wetlands/Watercourse Protection Law and Erosion/Sedimentation Law.

Issues stop work order when permit holder is in violation of local laws;

Provides testimony and documentation to local court when violators are being prosecuted;

Investigates public complaints related to wetlands/watercourse and erosion/sedimentation laws;

Disseminates information pertaining to environmental issues, laws, and ordinances;

Attends Conservation and Planning Board meetings;

Uses computer applications software in the performance of the job.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Good knowledge of Wetlands Protection Law; good knowledge of erosion and sediment control law; good knowledge of local codes, regulations, and ordinances relative to wetlands/watercourse and erosion/sedimentation; ability to read and understand written materials; ability to effectively use computer applications software; ability to prepare clear and concise letters and reports; good observational skills; sound judgement; tact; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Either (a) a Bachelor's Degree and two (2) years of experience in environmental protection (water, soil, wildlife management, ecology, environmental science, etc.) or environmental research; or (b) a Bachelor's Degree in Conservation & Resource Development, Natural Resources or closely related field and one (1) year of experience as noted in (a); or (c) a satisfactory equivalent combination of the foregoing training and experience.