

STATE OF NEBRASKA
CLASS SPECIFICATION
EST: 3/09 REV: 00/00

CLASS CODE: E55662
OVERTIME STATUS: N

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT SPECIALIST

DESCRIPTION: Under administrative direction, performs administrative and professional level work involving the coordination of agency-wide Landscape Architecture systems, initiatives or projects which have a state-wide scope and impact. May also perform professional work in the formulation of original design, planning and construction of extensive and varied landscaping projects. Performs related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS: (A position is assigned to this class based on the scope and level of work performed as outlined below.)

This is a single position class within the Department of Roads. The incumbent in this class performs work that has impact on the agency's program operations and projects on a state-wide basis. Work performed by this class requires a highly skilled landscape architect who is responsible to focus on landscape architecture and environmental principles, practices, and activities with an emphasis on programmatic, system-wide integration of programs and processes within the agency. Work involves coordination on an interdepartmental basis. May also perform professional work in the formulation of original design, planning and construction of extensive and varied landscaping projects.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (A position may not be assigned all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the duties that may be assigned.)

Coordinates and integrates landscape architecture and environmental activities and strategic plans with other agency divisions and external consultants.

Coordinates activities and work groups to conduct strategic planning, continuous improvement processes, and to develop and implement landscape architecture and environmental initiatives within the agency that are of a state-wide scope.

Designs landscape architect portion of agency environmental activities such as mitigated wetland development and maintenance.

Serves as a consultant to agency divisions, project teams and other entities on matters pertaining to erosion control, roadside and park development, roadway landscaping, and other landscape architecture matters.

Recommends landscape and environmental needs for roadway construction plans.

Provides advisement on ADA policy development, compliance monitoring, and coordination.

Supervises the construction of safety rest areas and recreation areas.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED: (These may be acquired on the job and are needed to perform the work assigned.)

Knowledge of: Business and management principles involved in strategic planning, resource allocation, collaboration and facilitation techniques, and coordination of people and resources; agency policies and requirements pertinent to landscape and environmental activities.

Ability to: Solve problems, prioritize, and coordinate people and resources; analyze agency needs and develop recommendations and plans to meet those needs.

ENTRY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED: (Applicants will be screened for possession of these through written, oral, performance, and/or other evaluations.)

Knowledge of: theories, principles and practices of landscape architecture.

Ability to: listen and to understand ideas, communicate, interpret technical data; to prepare technical reports, to plan, organize and direct professional, skilled and semi-skilled subordinates; to maintain cooperative relationships and to communicate effectively.

JOB PREPARATION GUIDELINES: (Entry knowledge, skills and/or abilities may be acquired through, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, the following coursework/training and/or experience.)

Bachelor's degree in landscape architecture, or the required education for registration as a professional landscape architect in Nebraska, and six to eight years of practice in landscape architecture or architecture, two years of which have been in a supervisory position.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS: (These requirements must be met by all employees prior to attaining permanent status in this class.)

Positions in this classification are subject to Title 231, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapters 1 – 12. Chapter 1, section 002.04 : The term "Landscape Architect" is synonymous with "Registered Professional Landscape Architect", "Registered Landscape Architect" or "Professional Landscape Architect" and shall mean a person who is licensed by the Board on the basis of education, practical experience, and/or examination. This person is qualified and approved by the Board to use the title and practice landscape architecture in this state in compliance with Sections 81-8,184 through 81-8,208 of Nebraska Revised Statutes.