

Senior Research Planner

Planning Spec Adv – 1 Position

The TDOT Long Range Planning Division is seeking a qualified professional with a transportation planning background and a strong interest in research to complement TDOT's strategic direction in order to further the department's stated goals and values. The senior research planner serves as a team leader coordinating the development and implementation of research initiatives (University Research, Regional/Statewide Plans and Special Projects) of the Long Range Planning Division.

Senior Research Planner duties include:

- Conducting, coordinating and analyzing transportation research initiatives with several different project sponsors
- Developing maps, graphics, and illustrations for presentations and reports.
- Preparing written summaries of analysis and research for use at meetings and in reports.
- Facilitating and supporting statewide committees and other stakeholder meetings.

This position participates in collaborative research planning opportunities (project sponsors and other special projects) and assists with the facilitation of TDOT's Research Technical Advisory Committee.

Maintains a comprehensive, current knowledge of applicable policies, procedures, programs, codes, regulations and standards; participates in continuing education activities; attends meetings and training sessions as appropriate

Qualifications for this position include:

- Knowledge of discipline relevant to transportation, such as land use, planning, or engineering is desired.
- Skill in preparing and presenting findings and recommendations effectively, both oral and written.
- Experience and knowledge related to conducting and monitoring transportation research projects is desired.
- Experience in research projects at universities is desired.
- Ability to serve as a project manager and provide support to research partners, different TDOT divisions, other DOTs, and federal government agencies.
- Assisting supervisor in Annual Call for Research Proposal process; ability to review and analysis of research proposals and reports; negotiating scope of the work with research partners; monitoring and making policy recommendations related to research projects.
- Ability to write grant and research proposals as needed.
- Understanding of statistical analysis and ability to apply such knowledge in reviewing the research projects.