Overview

The Long Range Planning Division is responsible for the planning, development and management of statewide transportation studies and planning tools that help guide the policies and programs of TDOT and its various divisions. The division identifies transportation needs through the analysis of travel and safety data, and engages the communities to obtain public input on transportation investments. Specific responsibilities include developing the statewide long range transportation plan, preparation of corridor studies, university research, travel data collection, feasibility studies and metropolitan and rural transportation planning coordination. The division is also responsible for GIS mapping and data visualization.

The mission of the Long Range Planning Division is to play an active role in planning transportation strategies that improve safety, increase mobility, and encourage economic development in Tennessee.

This position reports directly to the Chief of Environment and Planning/Deputy Commissioner of the Bureau.

Responsibilities

Manages overall leadership and direction for the Long Range Planning division including the scheduling of major projects and the division's budget.

Provides coordination and technical assistance for the development and maintenance of TDOT's Long Range Transportation Plan.

Assists with the development of guidelines for coordination of land use and transportation decisions between state and local entities.

Manages and oversees Assistant Directors and multiple offices within the Comprehensive Planning and Data Management Section.

Directs the development of current and long range strategies to improve mobility for people and vehicles on the State of Tennessee's transportation system.

Oversees administration of various programs and funding including Rural Public Organizations, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), Transportation Demand Management programs, the State Planning and Research program (SPR), and overall grants management of the division.

Interacts with Division Directors, Chief Engineer, Community Relations, Bureau of Environment and Planning, Bureau of Administration and Commissioner's Office to develop or improve existing policies and procedures.

Qualifications

The minimum required knowledge, skills, and abilities to satisfactorily perform the job duties are acquired through graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor of science degree in planning, engineering or related field and ten years of related multimodal transportation and/or planning experience with DOTs, MPOs, regional or local governments, or an equivalent combination of education and experience. At least five years of supervisory experience is required. A Master’s Degree is preferred.

Candidates should have experience with policies, planning, grant administration, community outreach, research, and the management of multimodal transportation strategies.

Who we are:

The Tennessee Department of Transportation provides citizens of Tennessee and travelers with one of the best transportation systems in the country. TDOT is a multimodal agency with responsibilities in building and maintaining roads, aviation, public transit, waterways, railroads, cycling and walking. Our involvement ranges from airport improvements to funding transit buses to planning for river ports.

The Department of Transportation has over 4000 employees statewide with regional facilities in Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville, and Jackson. TDOT's headquarters is located in downtown Nashville.

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For more information on the Long Range Planning division please see link below: https://www.tn.gov/tdot/long-range-planning-home.html
Compensation and Benefits

Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Online resources for the State of Tennessee benefits, can be found at:

https://www.tn.gov/partnersforhealth/publications/publications.html
https://www.tn.gov/hr/employees1/benefits.html
https://treasury.tn.gov/Retirement/Retire-Ready-Tennessee/for-State-Employees

Application for the Director of Long Range Planning requires completion and submission of the following two items:

1. Letter explaining applicant interest in the position.
2. Résumé that is a maximum of two (2) pages.

The two items should be emailed to TDOT.Careers@tn.gov by Friday, June 19, 2020. For additional information you may also contact Delaine Linville, Assistant Bureau Chief of Administration, at Delaine.Linville@tn.gov or (615) 741-3461.