

Senior Regulatory Planner, Lands

Division: Projects & Construction - Electricity

Location: Edmonton, AB

Position Summary:

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Reporting to the Manager, Lands, this position is responsible for regulatory and consultation standards, providing land and environmental planning expertise and leadership.

We're looking for someone who cares about their work and strives for more each day. Someone who excels in a lead role and able to provide coaching and mentorship to the Land Planning Team. Someone who challenges the status quo, embraces change, and thrives in a collaborative work environment. If you are someone who approaches work with passion, curiosity, innovation, and the courage to identify gaps and resolve issues, then this role is for you.

Responsibilities:

- **Regulatory and Consultation**

- Oversee evaluation and selection of electrical infrastructure that optimize siting criteria and meet Alberta Utilities Commission Rule 007 regulatory requirements.
- Review and approve all Facility Applications and related documents prior to submission to the Alberta Utilities Commission.
- Provide regulatory advice to affiliate groups.
- Work with Planners to determine regulatory requirements for each project and to ensure that regulatory requirements are met according to the project schedule.
- Review other regulatory applications (i.e. Alberta Transportation, ACSW, DFO, AEP, Transport Canada, etc.) as required.
- Prepare evidence related to Facility Applications and testify at AUC hearings (as appropriate).
- Keep abreast of regulatory developments, trends, and changes, and identify corporate risk related to changes to regulatory frameworks.
- Liaise with regulatory agencies, departments, and client groups as it relates to land planning.
- Design and develop internal business processes for delivering consultation components required by AUC Rule 007.
- Define and support collaborative interactions among Planners, Consultation Planners, and Land Administrators through development of internal guides, training, and ongoing mentoring.
- Oversee coordination of stakeholder consultation activities among Consultation staff, Land Agents and Planners.
- Oversee review and tracking of consultation progress on individual projects and quality of the consultation program overall - ensuring that feedback and commitments are entered into a tracking system, compliant with corporate and regulatory requirements.
- Train and mentor Planners, Land Agents, and Consultation Planners with respect to consultation principles, standards, and procedures.
- Collaborate with multiple disciplines to ensure coordination of consultation program delivery with other project activities.
- Contribute to process and tools improvements – representing the Lands team while participating on or leading initiatives.
- Develop and communicate standards for documentation and procedures relating to AUC Facility Applications and other Approvals.
- Coordinate communication with the Alberta Utilities Commission and the AESO as required.

- **Land Planning**

- Identify planning and environmental risks to project scope, develop schedules and cost estimates for assigned projects.

- Analyze data, including spatial data, to identify land use, infrastructure, and environmental constraints for facility locations based on economic, technical, social and environmental criteria. Provide solutions and mitigations to issues.
- Undertake and apply technical and regulatory assessments for assigned projects to support project planning and permitting, including obtaining required regulatory approvals.
- Resolve concerns raised by external stakeholders by proposing mitigations with support of ATCO internal departments: commercial, planning, land, engineering, construction, maintenance, and operations personnel.
- **Leadership**
 - Supervise team of professional and clerical staff.
 - Provide leadership, focused and relevant training, and development guidance and mentoring for all staff.
 - Provide leadership and mentoring for Planning staff on all aspects of the Regulatory and Consultation programs.
 - Promote Safety Leadership Plan and the creation of an environment that places Safety First Always.
 - Guide Planning staff with mitigation strategies and issues management.

Qualifications:

- Minimum University Bachelor's degree in Environmental Sciences, Environmental Engineering, Biology, Soil Sciences, or other related field (i.e. Forestry, Agriculture, Planning, etc.).
- Currently hold or be eligible to obtain an associated professional designation within one year.
- Minimum 10 years of experience completing project planning, environmental assessments, evaluations, permitting or similar activities.
- The ability to review and understand project work scopes, execution strategies, construction activities and environmental impacts associated with electrical infrastructure development.
- Proven knowledge of planning, land use and environmental principles acquired through a degree in planning or in an environmental field.
- Knowledge of and experience with relevant legislation at Municipal, Provincial and Federal levels.
- Have a valid Class 5 Operator's License (Driver's License) issued by the Alberta Government.
- Highly effective communication, interpersonal and negotiation skills with the ability to establish excellent working relationships.
- Advanced writing and oral communication skills.
- Excellent decision-making, time management, organizational and planning skills.
- Training in leadership, project management and incident investigation would be considered an asset.
- Proficient in MS Office Suite - Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Microsoft Project.
- Skills in map and air photo interpretation, and some specialized systems such as GIS software. Use these tools for data analysis and report purposes.
- Must have working knowledge of external data sources, such as Landscape Analysis Tool, FWMIS, SPIN II, AbaData and Crown Land Dispositions Report (GLIMPS).

What We Offer:

- A culture based on caring, integrity, agility, collaboration, and striving for excellence
- Competitive compensation
- Flex benefits
- Tuition assistance program
- Training and mentorship programs
- Charitable donation matching

We would like to thank everyone for their application; however, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted.

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