

Lower Sioux Indian Community  
Environmental Technician Job Description

**JOB TITLE: Environmental Technician**

DEPARTMENT: Office of the Environment

REPORTS TO: Director of Environmental Programs

FLSA STATUS: Non-Exempt

**SUMMARY:**

Under the direction of the Director of Environmental Programs, the Environmental Technician will provide support to the Lower Sioux Office of the Environment (OE) staff with work involving environmental projects. The Environmental Technician must be physically fit, enjoy working outdoors, and can perform a variety of technical and non-technical tasks.

**EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE**

- High School Diploma or equivalent
- Previous experience in the environmental field a plus but not required. Preference of work experience with Tribal programs.

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (Other duties may be assigned):**

- Duties require providing technical and non-technical support for the field work of the OE staff. Environmental Technician will assist OE Staff when conducting field work that may include assessing site conditions, conducting mapping activities, prairie restoration, and water quality sampling within wetlands, rivers, and springs.
- Responsible for regular checks on field and weather equipment.
- Responsible for vehicle and equipment maintenance of Office of the Environment's vehicles, ATV, and other field equipment.
- As directed by the OE Director, address concerns or questions from Council and Community members on environmental issues within the Community.
- Work with other Tribal departments with environmentally related field work.
- Assist with environmental education and outreach events held by Office of the Environment staff

**SKILLS KNOWLEDGE AND ATTRIBUTES:**

- Physical Requirements while performing the duties of this job include that the employee is regularly required to stand, reach with hands and arms, walk, and sit. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 lbs. The employee will be required on occasion to walk/hike steep slopes to perform field tasks. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.
- Basic computer skills including Microsoft Office products (Word and Excel) and use of internet and email software.
- Prefer applicant to have Geographical Information System (GIS) and experience or familiar with using GPS Technology (not required).
- Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of variables in situations where only limited standardization exists.
- Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram or schedule form.
- Valid Driver's License and Clean Driving Record. Must be insurable under the Tribe's auto insurance.
- Ability to attend meetings and trainings that may include the occasional evening or overnight travel.
- Work environment while performing the duties of this job will require the employee to work a portion of the time in an office setting and a portion of the time outdoors to perform field tasks.

Outdoor work may be in unfavorable weather conditions (heat, cold, rain, sleet, or snow ) as needed.

**DISCLAIMER:**

This is not necessarily an exhaustive list of all the responsibilities, skills, duties, requirements, efforts or working conditions associated with the job. While this is intended to be an accurate reflection of the current job, management and Community Council reserves the right to revise the job or to require that other or different tasks be performed when circumstances change (e.g. emergencies, changes in personnel, workload, rush jobs or technical developments).

In accepting employment, I am agreeing to perform the duties and responsibilities listed above. In addition, I agree to adhere to any policy or procedure changes that may occur during my employment with the Lower Sioux Indian Community.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment application available online:

[www.lowersioux.com/employment/employment-application](http://www.lowersioux.com/employment/employment-application)

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