

Sabine River Authority of Texas  
Environmental Services Division

**Position Available**

The Sabine River Authority of Texas is accepting applications for the position of **Biologist**.

**DIVISION:**

Environmental Services Division (ESD)

**JOB TITLE:**

**Biologist**

**LOCATION:**

Upper Basin Field Office at Lake Fork, near Quitman, Texas, or  
Lower Basin Field Office at Orange, Texas

**POSITION AVAILABLE:**

June 15, 2006

**JOB PURPOSE:**

To conduct the collection and field analyses of water, wastewater, and stream samples for pollution investigations, sewage treatment plant monitoring, and the ambient stream and reservoir monitoring programs of the ESD; to conduct investigations of pollution complaints and fish kills; to participate in any planned special water quality projects; to conduct biological surveys of aquatic and terrestrial environments; to file written reports of all field activities; to regularly communicate with the general public and other local and State agencies..

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The duties and responsibilities of the **Biologist** include, but are not limited to, the following:

Assist in the scheduling and implementation of the ESD Water Quality Monitoring Program under the direct supervision of the Field Office Coordinator.

Collect water and wastewater samples as required and submit those samples to the ESD laboratory for biological, physical, and chemical analyses.

Operate and maintain all regular and special field equipment and instruments.

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Conduct field analyses and record observations of streams and/or treatment plant conditions.

Perform chemical and biological tests as necessary.

Assist in the planning and implementation of special water quality projects.

Prepare written reports of all pollution investigations and fish kills and recommend any necessary abatement.

Perform rapid bioassessments. Identify and catalog all collected organisms and prepare applicable reports.

Maintain an accurate, legible diary of assigned daily activities and report these activities to the Field Office Coordinator.

Perform any other duties assigned by the Field Office Coordinator.

**EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:**

Must have a **Master of Science** degree in a biological science from an accredited college or university.

Must be familiar with general ecological field and laboratory procedures.

Must have some knowledge of wastewater treatment operations.

Must be able to make unbiased observations and interpretations of analytical data.

Should have technical writing experience and strong writing skills.

Must be able to perform minor maintenance on field instruments and equipment, including boats, outboard engines, and motor vehicles.

Must be able to swim.

Must be capable of communicating and relating positively to members of the general public.

Must have a valid Drivers License and a good driving record.

Must be willing to work flexible hours and during inclement weather.

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**SALARY AND BENEFITS:**

Starting salary range: \$34,440 - \$36,888 depending on applicable experience.

Hours: Full-time

Benefits: Competitive medical and retirement

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Download a job application from the SRA Website

[ <http://www.sra.dst.tx.us/aboutsra/employment/> ] and forward the completed application with resume` and college transcripts to:

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Posting is valid until the position has been filled.