



Truckee River Flood Management Authority

Executive Director



The Truckee River Flood Project

The mission of the Truckee River Flood Project is to reduce the impact of flooding in the Truckee Meadows, restore the Truckee River ecosystem, and improve recreational opportunities by managing the development and implementation of the Truckee River Flood Project.

The Flood Project is a joint effort between the cities of Reno and Sparks, Washoe County, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and numerous stakeholders. Early on the Truckee River Flood Project developed an action plan that provided a forum for residents, businesses, community leaders, regulatory agencies and government officials to conduct an analysis of flooding issues and evaluate possible solutions with local funds generated through a dedicated 1/8 cent sales tax. The project scope extends over 50 miles of river from downtown Reno to Pyramid Lake.

Policy direction and management oversight of the project is provided by the Flood Management Authority consisting of elected officials from the Washoe County Commission, and the Reno and Sparks City Councils, in accordance with an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between these local entities.

Many locally preferred elements of the project's design options were developed through a Community Coalition process which brought together stakeholders, local organizations, regulatory agencies, multiple community associations and neighborhood advisory groups.

The Community

Washoe County is a growing area located along the eastern slopes of the Sierra Nevada Mountains in Western Nevada. The County covers an area of 6,600 square miles in the northwestern section of the state bordering California and Oregon and has a population of approximately 417,000 enjoy an excellent quality of life with abundant recreational activities, arts and cultural amenities, fine dining, and a variety of entertainment options including being known as the "Biggest Little City" for its variety of cultural and entertainment activities.

A wide range of lifestyle choices are available. The County seat is the City of Reno, the third largest city in Nevada. Named one of the Top 25 Cities for "Best Places to Live 2010" by Men's Journal Magazine (April 2, 2010), Reno has a bustling downtown, diverse neighborhoods, a major university, and a top ranked international airport. Nearby are the communities of Sparks and Incline Village, at Lake Tahoe. Recreational activities abound, including skiing, fishing, sailing and hiking, all within minutes of the metropolitan area. Citizens enjoy cultural events, quality public schools, and excellent public services throughout Washoe County.

The Position

The Flood Management Project Executive Director is appointed by the Truckee River Flood Management Authority Board. Responsibilities include technical and strategic project management, analytical support and advancing the interests of the project with the Nevada Congressional Delegation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, business groups, regulatory and government agencies, and environmental groups.

Typical Duties involve:

- Perform a variety of highly complex and sensitive professional duties involved in the planning, design and coordination of successive phases of problem analysis and solution proposals in the development, coordination, and implementation of the Truckee River Flood Project.
- Interact extensively with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers through the various district, regional and national headquarters offices, federal project lobbyists and Nevada Congressional delegation to promote the project through the federal processes including project authorization(s) and appropriations necessary for the completion of the project.
- Develop, recommend and implement strategies to protect and promote the Truckee River Flood Project's interest through the preparation of long range project implementation plans, including financial needs and budget preparation; identification of long-term threats to financial viability and opportunities to enhance financial strengths associated with the Project.
- Represent the Project in meetings and committees for the purposes of establishing goals, strategies and policies within broad outlines provided by officials of the Truckee River Flood Management Authority to develop and implement detailed plans to accomplish these goals.
- Interact extensively with Truckee River Flood Management Authority Board, senior technical personnel, and policy staff and stakeholder agencies, business groups, regulatory and governmental agencies, environmental groups to develop and implement policies, standards and procedures for the architectural, scientific, engineering and technical work performed, to ensure regulatory compliance and operations enhancement.
- Evaluate and develop appropriate recommendations to promote the Project, address current and proposed policies, regulations, legislation, and programs that impact the Project.
- Prepare and deliver project proposals, presentations and briefings to Project staff, management, and other agencies, local, State, and Federal elected officials and their staff; prepare comprehensive reports for Project staff, management and the Truckee River Flood Management Authority.
- Plan, direct, review and evaluate the work of assigned staff and consultants.
- Select and train staff and provide for professional development.
- Direct, coordinate and participate in the development, negotiation, and administration of consultant contracts.
- Oversee and monitor the work of consultants, outline the scope of work for projects, and certify completion of projects.
- Develop client relationships and communicate with clients to explain proposal, present research findings, establish specifications and discuss project status.

Preferred Qualifications

Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering, Ecology, Environmental or Natural Resource Planning, Hydrology, or a closely related field and six years of full-time project management, policy and planning experience to include experience in two or more of the following areas: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project planning, water management, flood plain management, flood control and storm drainage, water related natural resources, or natural systems management; OR a Masters' degree in Civil Engineering, Ecology, Environmental or Natural Resource Planning, Hydrology, or a closely related field and four years of full-time project management and planning experience as noted above.

Compensation and Benefits

Compensation:

Final compensation will be based on the qualifications of the selected candidate.

Benefits:

Comprehensive benefits package available subject to negotiations with the selected candidate.

Anticipated Schedule

- **June 14, 2011:** Recruitment Opens
- **July 8, 2011:** Final filing deadline. All completed Resumes and materials must be received by 5:00PM.
- **July 14, 2011:** Applications screened and top candidates indentified by the Board of Directors at the Flood Management Authority public meeting.
- **Week of July 18, 2011:** Reference checks and initial background investigations initiated.
- **Interviews:** To follow upon completion of the reference and background checks with the Flood Management Authority Board of Directors public meeting.

SPECIAL NOTE: Pursuant to the Nevada open meeting law, names of all applicants for this position and all application materials submitted may be made public after the filing deadline. Interviews with top candidates will be conducted during a public meeting of the Flood Management Authority Board of Directors.

How to Apply

- To apply for this position, please submit a resume and a letter of interest to:

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