



Illinois Department of Transportation

Memorandum

To: DEPUTY SECRETARIES, DIRECTORS AND BUREAU CHIEFS
From: Becky Koehler
Bureau Chief of Personnel Management
Subject: Technical Vacancy
Date: January 11, 2018

Attached are the Position Summary Sheet and Position Description for the vacant technical position listed below. Please post this vacancy announcement January 12, 2018 in the designated areas.

The deadline for applicants to submit their applications for consideration is **4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 9, 2018**. Applications will not be accepted after that time and date.

NOTE: Official college transcripts must be included with application. Applicants possessing an Engineer Intern License must also include a copy with application. Applicants not submitting these documents by the posting deadline will not be considered for employment. Please include IPR number on the application. Please be advised that if a high volume of applications are received, the applications may be screened to establish a smaller pool of applicants for interview. The screening will be based on the information contained in the application.

If you have any questions, please contact the Bureau of Personnel Management at 217/782-5594.

CET (5 pos)

Studies & Plans Squad Member Trainee
Region 4/District 6/Program Development
Office of Highways Project Implementation
Springfield

Attachments
42564

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Technical Applications [PM1080 rev 6/1/17](#)****must be received** by the Bureau of Personnel Management, Room 113, 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62764 (Fax# 217/557-3134) or emailed to DOT.CO.BPM.EmploymentApplications@Illinois.gov by **Friday, February 9, 2018**, 4:30 p.m. Please include address, daytime phone and position for which applying if not already listed on application. Applicants will be notified in writing to schedule interviews.

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Position Summary Sheet

Classification:	Civil Engineer Trainee (5 Positions)	Salary:	\$4,275 - \$4,655*
Position Title:	Studies & Plans Squad Member Trainee	Union Position:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Position Number:	PW110-23-56-303-40-01	IPR#:	42564

Office/Central Bureau/District/Work Address:

Office of Highways Project Implementation/Region 4/District 6/Bureau of Program Development, 126 E Ash St, Springfield, IL

Description Of Duties:

This is an entry-level trainee position responsible for performing detailed tasks associated with the preparation of design studies, contract plans, and specifications for highway improvement projects.

Special Qualifications:

Required:

- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from an ABET accredited university prior to date of employment or must be a Licensed Engineer Intern in the State of Illinois (includes those expecting to graduate in spring 2018)
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA in engineering related courses (If GPA is between a 2.0-2.5, candidate must have passed Fundamentals of Engineering Exam.)
- Official college transcripts must be included with application. (Official transcripts indicating graduation date for spring 2018 graduates must be provided at time of hire.)
- Valid driver's license

Desired:

- Strong oral and written communication skills

Shift/Remarks:

8:00 am – 4:30 pm / Monday – Friday

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*Individual salary offers are computed based on an applicant's current position and experience level in comparison to the posted title as well as internal equity of staff in the organizational unit.

**Technical Application PM1080 (revised 6/1/17) is required. No previous version of the PM1080 will be accepted.

**ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
POSITION DESCRIPTION**

DATE:	December 2015	POSITION:	Studies & Plans Squad Member Trainee
APPROVED BY:	<i>Roger Driskell</i>	OFFICE/DIVISION:	Division of Highways/District 6 Program Development
CODE:	PW110-23-56-303-40-01	REPORTS TO:	Plan Project Squad Engineer

Position Purpose

This position is accountable for performing detailed tasks associated with the preparation of design studies, contract plans, and specifications for highway improvement projects.

Dimensions

Project Studies:	2-3 annually
Contract Plans:	2-6 annually
Cost of Projects:	\$50,000 to \$60,000,000 in contract value
Public Meetings:	1-2 annually

Nature and Scope

This position reports to the Plan Project Squad Engineer as do the Studies and Plans Engineers II and Studies and Plans Engineers I. There are no subordinates to this position.

The position will be enrolled in a rotation program and will be assigned to various sections or bureaus in the District. These responsibilities may involve performing various assigned duties within the sections of Programming, Studies and Plans, Project Support, Land Acquisition, Constructions, Materials, Local Roads, Maintenance, Bridges, and Traffic. Upon completion of the rotation program, the District will work with the incumbent to determine a permanent bureau assignment, which will also take into account bureau needs and their staffing levels.

The incumbent is a member of an interdisciplinary study team which is responsible for highway projects from initial planning work through preparation of contract plans and specifications. This function primarily involves tasks assigned by the Squad Leader which may involve review of alternate corridors and alignments for both new highway systems and the reconstruction of existing facilities, and the preparation of contract plans. Contract plans and the special provisions must be accurate, complete, in accordance with design policy and predetermined schedules, and be done in such a manner that the plans and special provisions are clear in construction phasing and sequence to help contractors in preparing bids. The proposed design plans must be coordinated with other agencies so that completed plans may be ready for letting according to schedule.

Typical problems encountered by the incumbent include developing the parameters for the project studies that need to be made, determining what data is available, developing feasible alternates, resolving technical and procedural problems, developing hydraulic design of culverts and ditches, staging construction work to provide adequate working room for the contractor and to insure convenience and safety for the traveling public, and coordinating the proposed design with the needs of other agencies. The incumbent's greatest challenge is to provide the most cost-effective design for the proposed transportation facility within the allotted time frames while weighing engineering design factors along with various social, economic, safety, and environmental factors.

Functions personally performed by the incumbent include gathering data for project studies and reports; determining design alternatives; evaluating adequacy, right-of-way requirements, costs, and environmental factors; preparing design reports which document the project study; determining grade lines; conducting drainage analysis for storm sewer design; developing special design details; preparing and checking earth work computations; and calculating quantities for all pay items.

The incumbent must perform his/her duties in accordance with the guidelines of the AASHTO Design Manual, the IDOT Policy and Procedural Manual, and design policies and procedures. This position evaluates alternatives, including solving problems not covered under policies, and makes recommendations to the Squad Leader.

The incumbent has frequent contact with the District Bureaus of Operations and Implementation, as well as virtually every section within Project Development. Coordination outside the Department is with outside agencies and property owners.

The effectiveness of this position is measured by the quality and timeliness of corridor, design, and combined reports, and the completion of contract plans and specifications by prescribed letting dates.

Principal Accountabilities

1. Prepares the engineering sections for corridor, design and combined location studies in an accurate and timely manner.
2. Prepares and recommends alternative designs for location studies.
3. Assists with information meetings, public hearings, and presentations to describe projects.
4. Ensures plans prepared are accurate, complete, and in compliance with design standards and specifications, and depict the most cost-efficient design.
5. Coordinates the activities of other sections within the Bureau to ensure plans are completed in time to meet prescribed letting dates.
6. Performs duties in compliance with departmental safety rules. Performs all duties in a manner conducive to the fair and equitable treatment of all employees.
7. Performs other duties as assigned.