

## **Section Head, Drinking Water and Wastewater Policy Section**

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The Water Policy Branch is accountable for drinking water and wastewater policy, surface and groundwater policy (quantity and quality), alignment of the department's water management related actions and initiatives such as Water for Life, trans-boundary policy issues and implementation of the South Saskatchewan River Basin water management plan.

As the Section Head, Drinking Water and Wastewater Policy Section, you will play a key leadership role in the delivery of the outcome-based drinking water, municipal wastewater, and industrial wastewater programs. You will manage a group of professional staff to provide standards, educational material and technical assistance to regional staff, GOA employees, stakeholders, clients, municipalities, and the general public. Working in a highly collaborative manner, you will also lead an operator certification program and provide direct leadership to regional staff and other GoA professionals and staff involved in the drinking water and wastewater delivery systems. As the successful candidate, you also have critical responsibilities relating to the delivery of recommendations from the Water for Life strategy pertaining to drinking water.

### **About Your Competencies:**

**LEADERSHIP** to manage and promote program changes that involve new policy implementation and complex issues.

**TEAMWORK** to provide leadership, coaching, and mentoring to the management team and staff members to support continual improvement and capacity development.  
**COMMUNICATION** skills to advise and consult front-line drinking water specialists in the regions relating to the development and implementation of drinking water policies, strategies and initiatives.

**RELATIONSHIP BUILDING** to develop partnerships with a wide range of stakeholders, including business, community, and First Nations groups and other departments, to enhance their understanding of drinking water protection infrastructure system and related programs, mitigate issues, and provide expert advice and consultation.

**STRATEGIC THINKING** ability to advise the Director in relation to enhancing and defining the strategic direction for drinking water and the development of methods to convey the drinking water system and policies to the Alberta public.

**INNOVATION** to lead the development and implementation of approaches to improve public confidence in drinking water and protection of the environment through wastewater releases.

In this role, you will primarily be working in an office setting located in downtown Edmonton. You will have regular and on-going contact with drinking and wastewater operations management team and staff members as well as division and ministry senior representatives. When necessary you connect with the Minister, Deputy Minister and MLAs, senior officials from other departments, the federal government, municipal, provincial and territorial governments, and stakeholder organizations.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

University graduation in a related field (preferably engineering or science) supplemented by extensive related experience in the areas of drinking water and wastewater. Post secondary degree would be considered an asset. Progressively responsible management experience is also required. Equivalencies will be considered.

**SALARY:** \$97,164.04 to \$123,384.10 per annum

**NOTES:**

Final candidates will be required to undergo a security screening. This competition may be used to fill future vacancies at an equivalent or lower level.

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Formal leadership and mentorship programs

Personal and professional learning and development

Positive workplace culture and work-life balance

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We thank all applicants for their interest. All applications will be reviewed to determine which candidates' education and experience best meets the needs of the position. Only individuals selected for interviews will be contacted.