CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

BASED IN RED DEER, ALBERTA

Anticipated Term of Employment 1.5 Years

The Red Deer River Municipal Users Group (RDRMUG) is an association of rural and urban municipalities. The Group Membership is comprises of municipalities within the Red Deer River Basin and communities who receive water directly from the Red Deer River or via a regional water service pipeline system.

The RDRMUG provides a unique and essential platform for municipalities to work together towards shared goals. By involving only municipalities the group is able to focus on near and long term water related needs and issues that includes but is not exclusive to the following:

- Establish and maintain a comprehensive information base that will provide consistent and current information pertaining to water issues and needs.
- Provide a forum for municipalities to discuss water supply, water use and water quality.
- Serve as an advocate of municipal interests in the supply, use, delivery and quality of water.
- Insure that reliable quality water supplies are available for a sustainable and growing economy in each of our municipalities.
- Continually work toward healthy aquatic ecosystems.

Position

The RDRMUG is currently seeking an individual to be based in Red Deer, Alberta to perform the duties of Project Lead Coordinator.

A key strategic goal of the RDRMUG is to secure sufficient water to support sustainable communities far into the future while maintaining water quality within the Red Deer River. The Project Lead Coordinator will assist the group in reaching this goal by:

Working with the Executive Director and Executive Committee duties relating to the Red Deer River Basin will include:

- Review and compile current basin information including watershed conditions
- Provide a review and compilation of current municipal planning documents, policies and actions related to protecting water quality and water supplies
- Secure information from Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resources relating to Drinking Water Safety Plans
- Will work closely with the Red Deer River Water Shed Alliance (RDRWA) to determine Water Quality Objectives, existing Data Gaps and other issues common to both groups
- Identify municipal successes/failures in addressing protection of water quality and supply
• Identify municipal data and information gaps that are threats to water quality and provide possible actions to address gaps
• Identify land use planning, and other, management strategies and actions required to address key threats to water quality while maintaining/promoting sustainable urban and rural land use development
• Identify priorities to address key goals and desired outcomes within municipal capacity to address issues and threats
• Share resources with RDRWA to prepare a Municipal Integrated Municipal Action Plan to protect water quality that will align closely with the needs of the overall Integrated Watershed Management Plan.
• Identify necessary monitoring actions and timetable to report progress
• Plan consultation forum(s) as required
• Other related duties and projects as assigned.

Qualifications and Experience

• Demonstrated leadership experience
• Knowledge and experience in watershed, river basin and municipal land use planning
• Study background in environmental sciences, geography or related fields of related experience
• Working knowledge of Alberta’s Water for Life Strategy
• Excellent writing, presentation and communication skills and experience working in a municipal government environment
• Ability to identify work required and to work independently or as part of a team to achieve the required project results

How to Apply

• Please submit your resume with contact details of two references plus a cover letter with salary expectation to Keith Ryder, Executive Director by Friday, January 31, 2015
• Submissions may be mailed to: Keith Ryder at execdir@rdrmug.ca or by post to Keith Ryder, Exec. Director, Red Deer River Municipal Users Group, 4107 – 62 St., Stettler, AB. T0C 2L1

The Red Deer River Municipal Users Group would like to thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.