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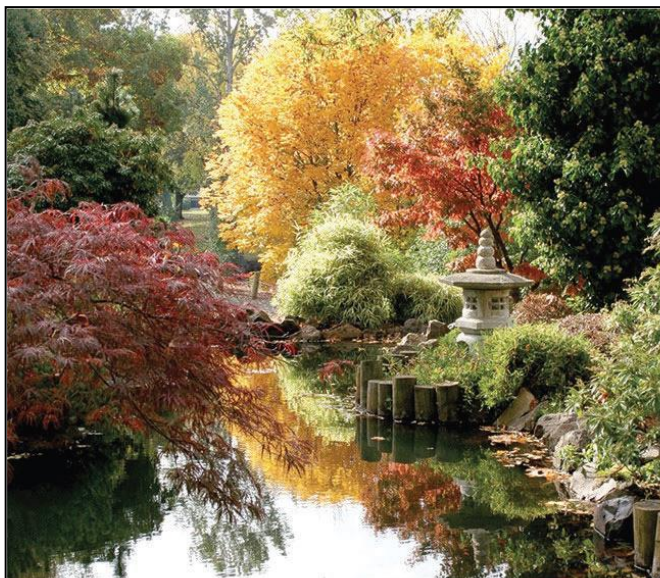
THE AREA



Located along the Columbia River, less than an hour from the Cascade Mountains and the Pacific Ocean, Cowlitz County provides an abundance of outdoor recreational opportunities and easy access to the Arts. The I-5 corridor runs right through Cowlitz County providing quick access to the Vancouver, Washington and Portland, Oregon metropolitan areas. The County is rich in history, industry, natural beauty, and home of the Monticello Convention of 1852, Cowlitz County is where Washington Territory was born. With a balanced blend of rural and urban environments residents enjoy a unique quality of life. Come to enjoy, explore, and experience the wonders of Cowlitz County today.

The city of Kelso is the county seat for Cowlitz County, and is just 40 miles north of Portland, Oregon and 90 miles south of Seattle. Kelso is located on the Columbia River where it meets the Cowlitz and Coweeman Rivers and shares a border with the city of Longview. The total population of the County is approximately 112,000, with about 70,000 people residing in the Longview, Kelso, and adjacent unincorporated areas.

The area boasts a number of public parks with walking trails, playgrounds, and multi-use sports fields. Lake Sacajawea in Longview hosts the annual Go 4th Celebration, as well as many night-at-the-park events in the summer.



Tam O'Shanter Park in Kelso hosts the annual Hilander Festival celebrating the area's Scottish heritage. The Port of Kalama, along the Columbia River, hosts an amphitheater, river walk, restaurants, shopping, and a marina. Golf courses, baseball and soccer fields, and sports complexes also provide recreation opportunities in the Cowlitz County community. The many rivers and nearby lakes have excellent fishing and are great for water sports, kayaking, sailing, water skiing, and jet skis, and the nearby Cascade Mountains provide opportunities for year-round recreation like skiing, snowboarding, and snowmobiling in the winter and hiking and biking and more in the warmer months.

THE COUNTY & DEPARTMENT

Formed in 1854, Cowlitz County is governed by a three-member Board of Commissioners elected to four-year terms. The County functions with roughly 50 departments, 18 divisions, with 620 employees on a County wide budget of about \$145 million.

The Department of Public Works operates and maintains roads, bridges, water, sewer, stormwater, and solid waste facilities throughout Cowlitz County. The Department is separated into five divisions and functions with 20 Engineering employees and 75 Roads Administration Employees. The Roads Administration budget is about \$45 million.

THE POSITION

This is a professional civil engineering position that functions as a Civil Engineer for Cowlitz County. The County is seeking to fill two position vacancies that provide engineering and planning services for the Utilities and Stormwater Division or the Diking and Development Division. These positions also provide a broad range of engineering and planning services to all divisions of Public Works, such as road engineering, road maintenance, stormwater, water, sewer, diking, solid waste, parks, and other projects as assigned.

These positions are responsible for managing engineering projects, addressing engineering and administrative duties, and following established procedures, policies and practices. This position supervises the activities of other engineering and technical staff assigned to projects under their direction. If qualifications, experience, and longevity criteria are met, this position can be elevated to the Senior Engineer – Civil job classification.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- Bachelor's degree with major course work in civil engineering or a related field, and four (4) years of broad-based experience in civil engineering that would ensure the knowledge required for the duties of the job.
- Candidates must possess and maintain a Professional Civil Engineer License from the state of Washington or a state having reciprocity with Washington and obtain reciprocity licensing within one year of employment.
- Candidates must possess and maintain a valid unrestricted driver's license (Except vision).
- Washington Distribution Manager certification or ability to acquire certification is preferred.

Candidates who possess any combination of education, training and experience that would ensure the knowledge required to successfully perform the duties of this position may be considered.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

- **Salary: \$90,936 - \$113,664 DOQ**
- Medical, Dental and Vision
- Life Insurance
- VEBA/Health Retirement Account for those who qualify
- Retirement through Washington State Public Employees Retirement System
- Deferred Compensation plans available (457b)
- 11 Paid Holidays
- 4-10s Work Schedule



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