



## The Regional District of Central Okanagan has an opening for a Parks Planner

The Regional District of Central Okanagan is seeking applications for the full-time position of Parks Planner within the Parks Services Department.

This is a professional park planning position reporting to the Director of Parks Services. The Parks Planner is responsible for the successful delivery and leadership of department planning initiatives by:

- Preparing park, trail and facility management plans;
- Directing and coordinating the assembly, analysis and mapping requirements associated with the department GIS database;
- Undertaking or coordinating the preparation of environmental and social studies and integrating this information with park, trail and facility planning;
- Undertaking or coordinating the preparation of park infrastructure development plans;
- Organizing and conducting public engagement related to park and facility planning initiatives; coordinating the implementation of park and facility management plans with the Department Director and Manager(s).

The Park Planner directs projects that are environmentally, socially, and technically complex, involve a wide range of interests and stakeholders and are often politically sensitive. Work is undertaken in a team environment and will include working with elected officials, the public, Parks Services department staff and volunteers, other RDCO departments, First Nations, local, federal and provincial governments and consulting firms.

Qualifications for this position include an Undergraduate degree in landscape architecture, land use planning, parks management with a focus on park planning in a natural area context, plus 5 years of job related experience in park planning, development and management. Experience should include preparing park, trail and facility management plans, studies and policies; demonstrated strong working and analysis skills in the use of GIS applications (ArcGIS ) including the ability to assemble, access and use digital mapping data; undertaking the preparation of environmental and social studies related to park and natural area management; drafting, reviewing and interpreting planning documents, policies and guidelines; compiling, analyzing and synthesizing relevant information; developing planning strategies and recommending appropriate solutions; coordinating project management from initiation to implementation with a proven record for completing projects on time and budget; coordinating and facilitating public participation processes that involve stakeholders; and providing guidance and direction to interdisciplinary team and external consultants.

This is a full-time position to commence immediately. We offer a salary of \$64,682 with an attractive benefit package.

Prior to submitting an application/resume and cover letter, please visit our website [www.regionaldistrict.com/jobs](http://www.regionaldistrict.com/jobs) to view a complete list of duties and qualifications.

Please forward your resume quoting **Competition No. 1126** by **4:00 p.m., Friday, December 16, 2011**, to Regional District of Central Okanagan, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna, BC V1W 3Z4 by e-mail: [apply@cord.bc.ca](mailto:apply@cord.bc.ca) or fax 250-763-7497.

*We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.*