



American Samoa Government Department of Human Resources

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

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DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: AMERICAN SAMOA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICIAN

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Permanent Appointment || Pay Grade: GS 09/\$16,467-41,817 p.a

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The AS-EPA Environmental Technician works under the general guidance of the Special Programs Division Head. The incumbent assists in performing a variety of basic microbiological and chemical laboratory tasks including laboratory support, sampling and analytical services, and all microbiological and chemical monitoring and technical assistance required by and coordinated with other AS-EPA branches and programs such as the Water Quality Branch, Pesticide Branch, and Technical Services Program.

KEY DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Incumbent collects samples such as water, wastewater, and air strictly following Standard Methods for microbiological and chemical laboratory analysis. Also, incumbent records sampling information and necessary environmental data when obtaining samples, and provides for proper preservation and storage of samples until time of analysis.
- Incumbent performs basic microbiological and chemical analyses of samples according to established AS-EPA Standard Operating Procedures as specified in the American Samoa Non-Point Pollution Control and Nearshore Water Quality Monitoring Programs, and the Safe Drinking Water Program.
- Incumbent performs basic calibration, cleaning, and maintenance of microbiological and chemical laboratory equipment.
- Incumbent collects, tracks, and computes microbiology and chemistry data results, and maintains records on all microbiology and chemistry tests performed. Incumbent will also prepare and review data for public advisories and press release bulletins regarding conditions of public water supplies, groundwater, surface water, and marine water.
- Incumbent supports Quality Assurance/Quality Control Program for the sampling, monitoring transportation analyses of water quality samples for both on-island and off-island analyses conducted for laboratory microbiology chemistry activities. In this regard, incumbent is responsible for performing complex Quality Assurance procedures and completing records required to maintain U.S EPA Laboratory Certification for AS-EPA laboratory.

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KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITY

- o Excellent verbal and written communication skills are necessary.
- o Basic knowledge of word processing applications and spreadsheet programs is essential.
- o Years of progressively responsible work experience that provided a knowledge and a fundamental understanding of, and ability to use, microbiology and chemistry principles, methods and techniques related to environmental laboratory activities equivalent to that which would have gained through a 4-year college curriculum, may be substituted for a portion of the academic requirements.

ACADEMIC & EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

- o Applicant must have an associate's degree in related field from an accredited university plus four (4) years of work related experiences
- o Salary will be adjusted according to experience

**Complete information concerning this vacancy
may be obtained from the
Personnel Division of the Department of Human Resources,
or please contact the Recruitment unit at 633-4485 / 633-4000.**

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