State of California – Natural Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

DUTY STATEMENT

DIVISION	CLASSIFICATION	POSITION NUMBER (Agency-Unit-Class-Serial)	
Desert Field	Environmental Scientist	549-257-0762-902	
DISTRICT/HQ SECTION	WORKING TITLE	CBID	
Ocotillo Wells	Environmental Scientist	R10	
SECTOR/HQ UNIT	REPORTING LOCATION	INCUMBENT	
Ocotillo Wells District	Ocotillo Wells SVRA		
STATE HOUSING	IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR		
Housing may be required		Senior Environmental Scientist (Sup)	

SENSITIVE POSITION DESIGNATION (Check if applicable)

□ Sensitive Position as designated by the Department per California Code of Regulation (CCR) 599.961

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Under the supervision of the Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisory), the Environmental Scientist will develop and implement natural resources management projects, planning, and stewardship at Ocotillo Wells State Vehicular Recreation Area. This position will develop a monitoring program for western burrowing owl at the park, including developing protocols and leading surveys. The Environmental Scientist will compile data, manage records, analyze results, write reports, and make recommendations for natural resources. The incumbent may also support other district programs or natural resources management efforts.

ALL EMPLOYEES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTRIBUTING TO AN INCLUSIVE, SAFE, AND SECURE WORK ENVIRONMENT THAT VALUES DIVERSE CULTURES, PERSPECTIVES, AND EXPERIENCES, AND IS FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:				
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35%	NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT			
	Develop a monitoring program for western burrowing owl, and lead implementation of surveys and protocol development. Research and review regional resources data. Monitor and document occurrences of special-status species in accordance with regulation, policy, and other best practices. Assists implementation of management plans for district units (e.g., Wildlife Habitat Protection Plans, Soil Conservation Plans, Wildfire Management Plans, etc.). Prepares annual reports and assists with compliance reporting. May act as project manager or lead person for internal and external natural resources management projects; may act in a lead capacity over seasonal or permanent staff or external work crews. Trains seasonal personnel how to conduct biological surveys, implement protective measures, and avoid impacts. Organize and lead preconstruction surveys, and maintain records. May be assigned by supervisor to work on other natural resources management work to support district or department needs.			
20%	PLANNING AND REVIEW			
	Reviews and completes Environmental Scientist reviews of CEQA projects within the District; may support biological review of projects under NEPA on occasion. Work with land agents, planners, and other classifications on land use issues affecting the District. Reviews special events, film permits, and collections/research permits. Coordinates with permittees to provide resources information, species avoidance recommendations, and event alternatives. Coordinates with regulatory agencies to obtain resources permits for projects (e.g., Lake and Streambed Alteration Permit, emergency permitting, etc.).			
20%	DATA MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING			

	Manages data, analyzes results, and makes recommendations for natural resources management. Maintains and develops data sheets, record storage procedures, and databases, GIS layers, or spreadsheets (e.g., Microsoft Access, Microsoft Excel, ArcPro). Research new techniques for data management, and stays current on technology (e.g., Field Collector, ArcPro). Train district staff on GIS technologies and tools.				
10%	ADMINISTRATION				
	Schedule and coordinate select natural resource crews and necessary equipment. Coordinates field projects; provides support and assistance to District staff. Participates in staff meetings and leads discussions. Tracks and reports on project budgets. Prepare administrative documents, such as travel expense claims and timekeeping documents. Maintains necessary records and answers correspondence and inquiries.				
10%					
	SAFETY All duties shall be performed in a safe manner in compliance with Departmental policies and the District's Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP). Wear appropriate safety equipment, including a seat belt during vehicle use. Maintain clean and safe workspace. Maintain safe work environment for natural resources. Attend and hold tailgate safety meetings. Isolate and/or immediately correct hazards to park visitors or employees. Report all injuries, even minor ones, to on-duty supervisors as soon as possible. Operate light vehicles such as half-ton pickup trucks, one-ton stake side trucks, and small tractors and mowers in a safe manner consistent with applicable rules and regulations.				
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	5% Other job-related duties as assigned and necessary for operational continuity. Attend staff meetings and trainings and prepare administrative paperwork to meet operational needs. TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS				
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	on is designated as NOT Telewo	rk Eligible.			
SPECIAL I	REQUIREMENTS:				
Possessio	on of a valid class C driver's licens	se is required.			
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