

**Wasatch Front Regional Council
Planner (Filled as a Planner I-II)
Job Description and Announcement**

The Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Association of Governments (AOG) for the area of Salt Lake, Davis, Weber, Morgan, Tooele, and southern Box Elder Counties in Utah. WFRC builds consensus and enhances quality of life by developing and implementing visions and plans for livable communities, a strong economy, a healthy environment, and a well-functioning, multi-modal transportation system. WFRC is seeking a full-time Planner.

WFRC will be recruiting this position remotely for the entirety of the selection process due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, WFRC anticipates a return to its physical work location in downtown Salt Lake City sometime in 2021. WFRC's office is in a walkable and bikeable area accessible by foot, bikeshare, scooter, bus, light rail, commuter rail, and auto. Salt Lake City is famous for offering urban amenities in close proximity to world-class outdoor activities.

Description:

The successful candidate will work in a highly collaborative environment to address the challenges and opportunities of being one of the fastest growing states in the country. They will be an integral part of the Community and Economic Development (CED) group and with oversight by the Community and Economic Development Director work on the [WFRC Transportation and Land Use Connection \(TLC\)](#) program. This position will be part of a core team that is responsible for assisting local communities in their planning and implementation efforts that address anticipated growth and seek to enhance quality of life. The TLC program encourages communities to integrate their land use with local and regional transportation consistent with the [Wasatch Choice Vision](#).

Functions and Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Performs coordinating duties and tasks related to the ongoing development, production and maintenance of the TLC Program, including an annual progress report and public outreach efforts.
- Provide land use planning assistance to local governments which may include public engagement activities, policy recommendations, graphical and written communications, and plan writing.
- Represent the agency by providing planning assistance to various local professionals, elected officials, general public, committees, task forces, local governments and state and federal agencies.
- Coordinate/ manage/ participate as a point of contact for the TLC program and serve as liaison between the WFRC and TLC Partners and outside agencies/ user groups. Act as staff to technical committees and facilitate various local government projects.
- Prepare and deliver written and oral communications to a wide variety of stakeholders, conveying transportation and land use concepts and recommendations in a clear, compelling manner. This may entail training activities related to the Wasatch Choice Regional Vision.
- Work with WFRC groups on elements of the Wasatch Choice Regional Vision, as well as outreach and implementation of the Vision.
- Maintain professionalism, integrity, and a public-service attitude.

Qualification Requirements:

1. Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in urban planning, engineering, geography, public or business administration or related field. Master's, equivalent experience or enrollment in Master's degree program preferred.
2. Two+ (2+) years of increasingly responsible professional experience in transportation planning, engineering, urban design or related field. Personal computer software experience with (MS Office Suite) word processing, project management and spreadsheet application required. Mapping and GIS application experience desired.
3. An equivalent combination of education and experience.

Compensation:

The Planner position is a full-time, salaried position that includes competitive compensation, commensurate with experience and responsibility. Full benefits package including pension through Utah Retirement System; 401k / 457 with employer match up to 7.65%; medical, dental, vision, life insurance; vacation; sick leave; paid holidays, paid personal days; and education assistance program.

To apply:

Interested applicants should submit their resume and a letter of interest briefly outlining their experience and qualifications via email to Ned Hacker at nhacker@wfr.org, by January 11th, 2021. For general information, please visit our website at www.wfr.org.

The Wasatch Front Regional Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.