

**THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK & PLANNING
COMMISSION**

invites applications for the position of:

**Principal Natural
Resources Specialist
(13610, Grade 26)**

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SALARY: \$60,326.00 - \$103,429.00 Annually**OPENING DATE:** 07/09/19**CLOSING DATE:** 08/20/19 11:59 PM**DESCRIPTION:**

Parkland managed by the Montgomery County Department of Parks makes up approximately 11% of the County's land and serves as the county's "backyard", providing safe and green outdoor spaces, fun, educational programs and events, and a wide variety of recreational opportunities. Our mission is to protect and interpret our valuable natural and cultural resources; balance the demand for recreation with the need for conservation; offer a variety of enjoyable recreational activities that encourage healthy lifestyles; and provide clean, safe, and accessible places for leisure-time activities.

The Montgomery County Department of Parks seeks a Principal Natural Resource Specialist in the Resource Analysis Section of the Park Planning and Stewardship Division to help manage the stewardship of 457 miles of streams, 26,000 acres of forest and more than 500 lakes, ponds and stormwater management facilities and devices in the 36,500-acre park system. The successful candidate will have a strong background in aquatic ecology and direct experience with one or more of the following: managing a biological monitoring program; watershed planning; review of stream restoration, wetland creation, and stormwater management projects; and/or natural resource management. They will also have extensive knowledge in one or more of the following fields: stream ecology, fishery ecology, entomology, and/or wetland ecology.

Under the direction of the Natural Resource Manager, the Principal Natural Resource Specialist will manage the Aquatic Resource Management Unit. This position has one direct report, but will also manage portions of the work programs of seasonal/intern positions to implement the work program. The successful candidate will work closely with staff in the Park Planning and Stewardship Division and the other divisions of the Department of Parks, as well as other agencies and a variety of consultants. Management of the Aquatic Resource Management Unit includes: lead a biological monitoring program in line with Maryland Department of Natural Resources MBSS protocols; support the Department's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) Permit through watershed planning initiatives (e.g. resource management plans, watershed studies, field investigations and data collection, data analysis), report on findings and initiatives at industry relevant conferences and symposiums, review of environmental enhancement/creation projects on parkland for efficacy and to reduce impacts to aquatic resources, and assist with the development and refinement of environmentally sensitive design guidelines for development on parkland. This person will also present relevant Parks' recommendations to the Montgomery County Planning Board through the Mandatory Referral Process, attend public meetings, and respond to citizens.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Bachelor's Degree in natural resource management, environmental science, forestry, wildlife management, fisheries management, or related field; and

2. Four years of progressively responsible experience; or
3. An equivalent combination of education and experience.
4. A valid driver's license or the ability to acquire one.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Desirable characteristics include: Regional watershed planning expertise; experience in wetland delineation; knowledge of Federal, State, and County environmental and forest conservation laws, policies and plans; knowledge of stream restoration methodology, design and/or construction techniques; published in peer-reviewed scientific journals; experience in the inventory, collection and identification of regional flora and/or fauna; the ability to read and understand technical engineering drawings; and/or knowledge of GIS.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<https://www.mncppc.org/jobs>

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