

## JOB OPENING – ARCHEOLOGICAL STUDIES BRANCH

**Job Title:** Environmental Specialist V – Environmental Affairs Division

**Job ID:** 124472

**Location:** Austin, TX

**Salary range:** \$51,614 - \$103,491 annually

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:** Candidate must meet Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards, per 36 CFR Part 61, and requirements and qualifications for principal investigators in the rules of practice and procedure of the Texas Antiquities Code, Title 13, Part 2, Chapter 26. Five years in environmental studies. Related graduate level education may be substituted for experience.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Performs complex environmental-related work activities. Provides high-level expertise, technical advice and support for multi-discipline areas of highly complex environmental studies for clearance of transportation activities. Work requires extensive contact with high-level executives, university officials, governmental agencies and private entities. Employees at this level are virtually self-supervising and assume direct accountability for the work product.

**DUTIES:** The essential duties for this job include:

- Consults and coordinates with representatives of regulatory agencies, special interest groups, the public and Department personnel.
- Negotiates contracts, renewals, work authorizations, supplements and amendments and recommends award of contract.
- Plans and schedules complex environmental coordination, projects, issues, and mitigation.
- Plans, coordinates, schedules, conducts, and approves surveys, complex tests or inventories for project clearance.
- Prepares, writes and makes environmental-related presentations.
- Serves as a project leader responsible for highly complex environmental projects requiring coordination and planning.
- Trains Department employees in environmental laws, rules, regulations, policies, procedures and issues.

**TO APPLY:** Visit TxDOT's [careers site](#) and search by Job Title (Environmental Specialist V - Environmental Affairs Division). The Job Posting will be open until July 21, 2022.

### 2020 HIGHLIGHTS

In 2020, TxDOT's archeology branch:

- Found 45 sites
- Completed 250 projects
- Surveyed 12,000 acres

### 2021 PROJECTS

TxDOT works on major excavations. Projects included:

- A Caddo site in northeast Texas
- A nineteenth century blacksmith shop owned by a formerly-enslaved man in the Dallas area

### 2022 PROJECTS

TxDOT is preparing for major excavations in El Paso and northeast Texas

### TxDOT STAFF

TxDOT's archeology branch staff has wide-ranging expertise. This expertise includes:

- GIS and modeling
- Geoarcheology
- Paleoethnobotany
- Experimental archeology
- Lithic analysis
- Historic archeology
- Public outreach

TxDOT provides opportunities to grow and develop your skills.



## TXDOT ARCHEOLOGY

TxDOT's archeology branch staff protects cultural resources through three main types of work. First, staff leads and oversees technical studies, including intensive survey, test excavations, and data recovery excavations. Second, staff consults with various parties, including the Texas Historical Commission/Texas State Historic Preservation Officer, federally- recognized tribes, and other interested organizations. Finally, staff presents the results of this work in a variety of ways, to make it accessible to the public.

To see examples of work from TxDOT's cultural resource program, go to TxDOT's [Archeology and History site](#).

Further examples can also be found at [TxDOT's Beyond the Road site](#).