



# Mississippi Rural Water Association, Inc.

## News Release

**The Mississippi Rural Water Association is now accepting resumes for the position of Decentralized Wastewater Technician. The basic requirements for employment are as follows:**

### **EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Multi-year employment required (five (5) years of experience preferred) in working for, operating, maintaining, or managing a rural/community water/wastewater system.
2. A well-rounded technical knowledge of rural and small system needs and methods of meeting those needs & basic computer knowledge.
3. Technical knowledge of operating, maintaining, and managing a rural/community water/wastewater system.
4. Knowledge of the financial, managerial and operational characteristics of effectively run utility systems.
5. Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, with operators, decision makers, regulatory agencies, and other professionals.
6. Ability to identify and describe financial, managerial, and operational issues to field personnel and decision makers.
7. Knowledge and understanding of regulations, monitoring, and reporting requirements.
8. Willingness to travel extensively.
9. Written approval of the NRWA Administrator/Program Manager prior to employment.

### **SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Travels extensively throughout the state to offer on-site technical assistance.
2. Provides assistance in all areas of operations, maintenance, management, security, finance, loan application, health, and environmental issues.
3. Provides the type of assistance that offers "training" rather than "fixing".
4. Prioritize requests to ensure coverage of water/systems with serious health or economic problems first. Priority will also be given to persons or groups who do not have access to high quality drinking water or proper treatment.
5. Attends NRWA In-Service training programs and annual conference to meet the individual needs of the technician and to provide them with skills to transfer their knowledge to the system personnel and the governing body.
6. Reviews new technical standards set and proposed by public and private organizations.
7. Develops informational articles for dissemination.
8. Responds to inquiries from facilities, consumers, governmental agencies, and others regarding technical matters.
9. On-site assistance must geographically represent the state during the program period.
10. Assistance should be provided to rural, unincorporated small municipal systems, tribal systems and incorporated municipal systems under 10,000 population.
11. Visits the State Rural Development office at least quarterly and District offices as set out in the Annual Plan of work.
12. Accurately completes and submits the required reporting in the required timely fashion.

Salary and benefit package negotiable. EOE Deadline for resumes July 10, 2024.

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