



## **BRANDYWINE CONSERVANCY**

### **Senior Planner for Water Resources, Municipal Assistance Program**

#### **THE POSITION:**

The Brandywine Conservancy, a program of the Brandywine Conservancy & Museum of Art, based in Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, is seeking an experienced, energetic, creative, senior planner to lead its innovative water resources protection efforts in southeastern Pennsylvania and northern Delaware. The position requires an individual with expertise in comprehensive and sustainable watershed management, focusing on stormwater, wastewater, and source water protection, and a working knowledge of both Delaware and Chesapeake Bay watershed efforts. The successful candidate must be a collaborative problem solver, an excellent communicator, and a good fit with the Conservancy's staff and organizational culture. The Senior Planner promotes the Conservancy's water resource protection initiatives to a diverse audience of municipal officials, state, and federal agency representatives, engineering and design professionals, farmers, private landowners, watershed associations, and the general public.

#### **THE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Develops and manages innovative stormwater, wastewater, and other green infrastructure projects at the watershed and site levels.
2. Collaborates with municipal and private water companies and other stakeholders to develop and implement source water protection initiatives.
3. Provides technical assistance to municipal officials on compliance with state and federal stormwater regulatory requirements including MS4 and TMDL.
4. Prioritizes opportunities to restore water quality with the ambitious goal of upgrading state designation of non-attaining streams.
5. Identifies funding sources and develops proposals for water resource protection projects.
6. Authors and seeks opportunities to promote creative Conservancy strategies, position papers and technical materials related to water resource protection.
7. Teams with other MAP staff to draft and analyze regulatory ordinances and land development plans, and contributes expertise to comprehensive, watershed, and rivers conservation plans.

#### **THE SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:**

The Brandywine Conservancy seeks a Senior Planner for Water Resources willing to work as a member of a team of planners, landscape architects, and land protection specialists, and with a minimum of five years' of practical application of water resources conservation and management. Successful candidates must have a comprehensive understanding of water resource management principles and how these principles relate to Low Impact Development and Green Infrastructure. An understanding of basic water cycle issues is essential, including basics of hydrology, as is grasp of basics of water quality. Although the position does not require an engineering background, some familiarity with engineering programs and models is preferred, as is a knowledge of Pennsylvania's efforts to comply with the Clean Water Act and Chesapeake Bay Agreement. Educational requirements include a Master's degree in planning, environmental sciences, or related field, or a Bachelor's degree in Engineering. Must also have strong personal initiative, organizational skills, and demonstrated interpersonal and written communication skills. The Senior Planner manages multiple projects and works independently in a face-paced environment; meeting deadlines and solving problems is critical. Requires attendance at evening and occasional weekend meetings.

**THE ORGANIZATION:**

Water resource protection and management have been vital work of the Brandywine Conservancy since its founding in 1967. The Conservancy provides innovative municipal planning assistance in the areas of comprehensive and open space planning, regulatory ordinances, natural and cultural resource protection, and the use of innovative tools such as sustainable community assessments, conservation design, transferable development rights, reforestation, and green infrastructure. The Municipal Assistance Program of the Conservancy leads the Brandywine Creek Greenway, a regional planning initiative involving 24 municipalities that seeks to create a 30 mile conservation corridor from the Delaware State border at Chadds Ford to Honey Brook. The Conservancy also holds 449 conservation easements and has permanently protected and facilitated the preservation of more than 59,000 acres in southeastern Pennsylvania and northern Delaware. The Conservancy is accredited by the national Land Trust Accreditation Commission. For more information see: [www.brandywine.org](http://www.brandywine.org)

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