



## Manager of Planning Services

The Thompson-Nicola Regional District ([www.tnrd.ca](http://www.tnrd.ca)) is headquartered in the heart of Kamloops and provides a wide range of local government services to a population of 144,000 located within its 11 diverse municipalities and 10 electoral areas. The TNRD's diverse geography encompasses over 45,000 square kilometers and includes swaths of the world's only inland temperate rainforest in the upper North Thompson Valley and Wells Gray Park, the vast wilderness of the Bonaparte Plateau, the rolling grasslands of the Nicola Valley, the incredible depths of Adams Lake, the desert and semi-arid climates at Kamloops Lake and the shores of Thompson River, and parts of the historic Fraser Canyon. To achieve its' mission of efficiently providing services that enhance the quality of life for the residents and visitors of the TNRD, they are looking to attract accomplished executive as Manager of Planning Services.

Reporting to the General Manager of Development Services, the Manager of Planning leads a team of planning professionals and is responsible for the provision of a broad range of land use and development approval processes for all unincorporated Electoral Areas of the TNRD. As the leader of the Planning Services Department, the responsibilities of the Manager of Planning will include, but are not limited to:

- Overseeing the management and administration of land use applications, including OCP, rezoning, subdivision, Agricultural Land Reserve, MHP, variance, development, first nations matters and a wide range of referrals.
- Providing expert guidance and leading the coordination with the Planning Team in the application of the appropriate TNRD Bylaws and Community Plans.
- Conducting long range planning by assigning activities to the Planning Team and completing various project development initiatives in collaboration with internal and external stakeholders.
- Liaising with and providing planning advice and land use information to a variety of stakeholders in both written and verbal format including covenants, land use agreements, letters, reports, bylaws, policies, presentations, maps, and long-range planning documents.

- Drafting of reports to the TNRD Board of Directors and may attend Board and community/public meetings to provide presentations and expertise.
- Oversight of all department budgets and ensure operations adhere to TNRD financial policies.
- Leading the planning team providing mentorship and guidance, and
- Collaborating and work effectively with other departments.

The ideal candidate will have a post-secondary degree in planning or a related discipline. You are an accomplished planner and strategic thought leader, who has excelled in demanding, results-oriented senior management roles. Preference will be given to applicants with a membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP), who have five to seven years' experience in leadership roles in unionized local government settings within a municipal or Regional District setting. As an accomplished current and long-range planner, you are a practical problem solver, able to deal effectively with competing priorities and well respected for your ability to work well under pressure. Your impeccable people skills are your trademark and recognized for your ability to deal effectively with all levels of clients both internal and external, staff and the Board of Directors or Council. You bring enlightened departmental leadership as well as strategic focus to existing operations.

If you are self motivated, enjoy both responsibility and accountability and are ready to grow your planning career and join one of British Columbia's most prominent Regional Districts, please forward your resume in confidence, quoting assignment TNRDMPS, to [grantsmith@waterhousesearch.com](mailto:grantsmith@waterhousesearch.com). Should you wish to obtain additional information on this excellent career opportunity, please call Grant Smith at (604) 806-7715.

*We sincerely thank all candidates for their interest however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*