

STATE OF MONTANA

JOB DESCRIPTION

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Job Title: Appropriations Management Bureau Chief Position Number: 21022

Location: Helena Department: Transportation

Division and Bureau: Fiscal Services Division/Appropriations Management

Section and Unit: N/A

Job Overview:

The Appropriations Management Bureau Chief is responsible for establishing and overseeing financial planning processes such as budget development and monitoring, federal authorization of funds and understanding financial guidance, coordinating the Tentative Construction Plan, issuing the Financial Status Report for the agency, long-range financial planning, and reporting requirements. Conducts financial monitoring to ensure fiscal constraint, efficiency and compliance within the agency. Ensures compliance with state and federal regulations/laws. Aligns Division mission, goals, objectives and priorities with Department strategies. This position reports to the Fiscal Services Administrator and directly manages 9 employees.

Essential Functions (Major Duties or Responsibilities):

State Appropriation Management – 45%

- Provides oversight of the department's budget activities to ensure the budget is developed in accordance with the agency's mission and goals, as well as the Executive Branch's budget strategies.
- Provides direction to the State Appropriation Section and the department's budgetary programs in the planning, organizing, developing and analyses and evaluation of department budget strategies.
- Ensure the balanced biennial budget request is based on program needs, both current and future, personal services needs, FTE resource needs, and within the available federal and state revenue sources.

- Communicates with the Governor's Budget Office and the Legislative Fiscal Division on a regular basis in preparation for each Legislative Session and during the interim.
- Provide executive level support for subcommittee hearings and testimonies, guides the development of fiscal notes, ensures the requested budget is written into legislation as passed during executive action, monitors other fiscal related legislation and informs senior level management of any issues that may arise.
- Responsible for establishing the Department's budgeting processes and procedures in compliance with MDT, state and federal procedures and policy, assigns staff functions and assists the Accounting Services Bureau with establishing internal controls standards and Division/District policy and procedures.
- Develop budget development goals and strategies based on general guidance from the Director's Office and OBPP.
- Continuously monitors agency budgets and communicates budgetary issues to the Administrative staff through the Financial Status Report as well as through direct communication as needed.

Federal Funds Management – 45%

- Interprets USDOT federal funds management guidance, along with authorization bills for all federal-aid programs to determine if new policies or procedures need to be written or put into practice.
- Coordinates writing white papers on changes to previous USDOT legislation or newly authorized programs.
- Determines when contingency planning measures should be implemented to ensure full project delivery and full obligation of federal-aid programs.
- Provides innovative recommendations to senior level management on leveraging federal funds and using state match resources to support the department's project delivery plan.
- Facilitates the Department's Tentative Construction Plan process by interpreting senior management objectives and direction and coordinating with numerous Administrators and their staff to develop a cross-divisional process that is timely, accurate and appropriate.
- Understands the connection to the state appropriation process to ensure state legislative appropriations are adequate to deliver the various federal-aid programs.
- Ensures federal reimbursement procedures are adequate to receive timely receipts of federal cash, and all billing is in accordance with federal funds management guidance for all federal-aid programs.
- Continuously communicates the status of the agency's federal funding by projecting federal obligation authority to be received, ensuring federal funds are applied and obligated to projects in accordance with MDT, USDOT, and OMB procedures and policy, determining

current and upcoming obligations of funds to calculate projected lapses, shortfalls or surpluses and recommend appropriate action.

- Coordinates subrecipient monitoring procedures and establishes procedures for federal reporting requirements.
- Develops solutions to procedural problems based on analysis of business processes.

Supervisory - 10%

- Coordinates the operations of Bureau staff, establishes goals, priorities and allocates available equipment, materials, training, funds and staffing.
- Delegates authority to subordinate managers and holds them responsible for performance of their organizational section.
- Ensures uniformity of all position class specifications, job profiles and compliance with the collective bargaining agreements. Evaluates overall work performance and initiates corrective action as required for section supervisors and subordinates.

Supervision

The number of employees supervised is: 9

The position number for each supervised employee is: 13007, 20034, 33216, 07009, 44030, 21065, 15009, and TBD.

Physical and Environmental Demands:

This position works in a typical office environment.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (Behaviors):

- Develops and establishes professional working relationships with other Department staff, OBPP, LFD and other State agencies.
- Ability to apply expert, comprehensive, advanced knowledge of the principles, practices and techniques of fiscal management.
- Requires knowledge of the concepts and theories of government finance, fiscal administration, budgeting, accounting, public administration, economics and statistics. Knowledge of State and federal regulations, generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), Governmental Accounting, Auditing and Financial Reporting requirements; Government Accounting Services Board (GASB).
- Ability to apply extensive knowledge of management concepts and practices which include establishing goals and objectives, developing work plans, coordinating operations, program

planning, organizational planning, personnel management, program implementation and evaluation.

- Knowledge of Department of Transportation and State personnel procedures and policies, employment law, program requirements, personnel management practices and techniques and the state accounting system (SABHRS). Knowledge of legislative processes, strategic planning principles and federal funds management.
- Preferred: Knowledge of the Federal-aid Transportation Program including its structure, regulations, eligibilities, inter-governmental relationships, administrative practices, budgetary cycles and practices, funding formulas, relationships between Titles 23 and 49 United States Code, Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 60 Montana Code Annotated and Transportation Commission and Department Policy.
- Ability to build consensus within groups on controversial issues, but also enforce standards when appropriate.
- Ability to assess and solve complex accounting issues and problems, devise methodologies and solutions, perform analyses and relate relevant information. Must be able to clearly and concisely form and express ideas and concepts, interpret technical information and findings to varied audiences.

Minimum Qualifications (Education and Experience):

The required knowledge and skills are typically acquired through a combination of education and experience equivalent to Bachelor's Degree in Business or a related field.

This position requires a minimum of 5 years of related experience. This position requires a minimum of 3 years of supervision.

Certifications, licensure, or other credentials include: n/a

Alternative qualifications include: Any combination of additional related work experience and education equivalent to the minimum qualifications.

Special Requirements:

List any other special required information for this position

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Background check | <input type="checkbox"/> Other; Describe |
| none Union Code | Safety Responsibilities |

The specific statements shown in each section of this description are not intended to be all inclusive. They represent typical elements and criteria considered necessary to perform the job successfully.

Signatures

My signature below indicates the statements in the job description are accurate and complete.

Immediate Supervisor	Title	Date
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Administrative Review	Title	Date
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My signature below indicates that I have read this job description.

Employee	Title	Date
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Human Resources Review

Job Code Title: Financial Manager Job Code Number: A3301B

My signature below indicates that Human Resources has reviewed this job description for completeness and has made the following determinations:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLSA Exempt | <input type="checkbox"/> FLSA Non-Exempt |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telework Available | <input type="checkbox"/> Telework Not Available |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classification Complete | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Chart attached |

Human Resources:

Signature

Title

Date