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Employee Name: Vacant	Current Date: July 6, 2024	
Classification: Staff Air Pollution Specialist	Position #: 673-450-3875-017	
Division/Office: Industrial Strategies Division/ Carbon Management Branch	CBID: R09	
Section: Nature-Based Strategies Section		
Supervisor Name: Adam Moreno	Supervisor Classification: Air Resources Supervisor I	
I certify that this duty statement represents an accurate description of the essential functions of this position.		
Supervisor:	Date:	
I have read this duty statement and agree that it represents the duties I am assigned.		
Employee:	Date:	
SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF POSITION (IF ANY):		
Designated under Conflict of Interest Code. Duties performed may require pre-employment physical. Duties performed may require drug testing. Duties require participation in the DMV Pull Notice Program. Requires the utilization of a 32-pound self-contained breathing apparatus. Operates heavy motorized vehicles. Requires repetitive movement of heavy objects. Works at elevated heights or near fast moving machinery or traffic. Performs other duties requiring high physical demand. (Explain below): Duties require use of hearing protection and annual hearing examinations. SUPERVISION EXERCISED		
None	Lead Person	
Supervisor	☐ Team Leader	

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<u>FOR SUPERVISORY POSITIONS ONLY</u>: Indicate the number of positions by classification that this position DIRECTLY supervises: N/A

Total number of positions in Section/Branch/Office for which this position is responsible: N/A

FOR LEADPERSONS OR TEAM LEADERS ONLY:

Indicate the number of positions by classification that this position LEADS: N/A

MISSION OF SECTION:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is the State agency responsible for reducing greenhouse gas emissions for the State of California. It is CARB's responsibility to develop a strategy for California to be carbon neutral by 2045, implement policies to achieve carbon neutrality, and to track progress towards that objective. As part of this effort, Natural and Working Lands (NWL) are a critical component of California's climate change mitigation strategy. NWL refers to all forests, shrublands, grasslands, croplands, deserts, wetlands, and developed lands within California's boundaries.

The Nature-Based Strategies Section (NBSS) brings together all of these lands, quantifying their socio-ecological impacts, to formulate statewide holistic nature-based climate action policy. Specifically, this section leads the integration of natural systems into California's overall carbon neutrality and climate action efforts. To accomplish this the NBSS uses data and scientific inference to inform and develop cutting-edge statewide nature-based policies, decisions, and programs.

The NBSS works in close coordination with other California State agencies to support the natural-based carbon dioxide removal needed for California to achieve carbon neutrality. As part of this mission, the NBSS is responsible for supporting the development of nature-based carbon removal targets, tracking progress towards nature-based climate targets, evaluating the viability of various nature-based strategies, and supporting the development of requirements to ensure the environmental integrity of nature-based carbon removals as part of the agencies broader efforts to implement AB 32, SB 32, AB 1279, AB 1757, and SB 901. The section is also responsible for supporting the deployment of nature-based climate solutions that support the State's water, biodiversity, adaptation/resiliency, air quality, and other environmental and economic goals and helps to advance national and international efforts on nature-based climate solutions.

CONCEPT OF POSITION:

Under general direction of the Air Resources I, the Staff Air Pollution Specialist (SAPS) applies scientific methods and principles to lead in the identification, study, and solution of air pollution problems. The SAPS designs, conducts, and evaluates methods to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from natural and working lands and improve carbon sequestration on natural and working lands.

The SAPS will lead the CARB's NWL statewide climate policy, coordination, and reporting efforts. The SAPS will be lead in coordinating information, reports, and data with local, state, and federal agencies, NGOs, and other public stakeholders. The SAPS will lead the section's policy development and reporting responsibilities including drafting the NWL inventory, Scoping Plan, policy documents, responses to EO and interagency requests, briefings and workshops.

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% OF TIME	RESPONSIBILITIES OF POSITION
35% - E	Serve as the lead staff on policy development, coordination,
0070 - L	communications, and reporting. Ensure successful buy-in of section derived
	information and delivery of section reports. This includes stakeholder
	engagement and coordination with other section/agency staff. Represent
	CARB in meetings internal to CARB and with other local, state, and federal
	government agencies, as well as with public stakeholder groups.
	Disseminate information obtained from these meetings throughout the
	section as well as communicate section information outward. Facilitate
	public workshops.
20% - E	Lead in the drafting and publishing of reports on CARB's public facing
	website ensuring that the NWL inventory is consistent with IPCC protocols,
	and reports are ADA compliant. Coordinate reviews and requests made of
	section and other NWL CARB staff. Draft memos and briefings. Lead in
	drafting and negotiations on interagency agreements, memorandums of
	understanding, and contracts.
15% - E	Perform in-depth technical work for one or more land-types fulfilling the
	needs of the section. Perform technical work to ensure all section needs are
	met and/or to transform data from other staff into impactful and
	understandable forms. Serve as contract manager on external contracts.
15% - E	Stay current on all section work, scientific literature, and state policies
	related to NWL within California. Work with other states to ensure that the
	work of this section can be replicated outside of California. Work with local
	and federal government agencies to ensure that their needs are met
	through the work of this section.
10% - E	Be one of the lead staff to develop and execute a strategy to enhance the
	technical aspects of the section and their impact on policies, decisions, and
F0/ N4	programs.
5% - M	Mentor other section staff on analysis of scientific data and communication.
	May perform other duties within the scope of the classification as required.