Missouri Department of Transportation Job Description

Job Title: Administrator of Railroads

Title Code: R04881 Salary Grade: 13 Exemption Status: Exempt Supervisory Responsibilities: Full Supervision District/Division: Central Office – Multimodal Operations Effective Date: 12-16-2024 Replaces (Effective Date): 12-01-2024

General Summary

The administrator of railroads coordinates all aspects of railroad operations, railroad crossing issues, railroad safety and safety outreach, rail-highway construction issues and regulation interpretation and enforcement. Responsibilities are performed under general supervision.

Minimum/Required Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree: Business Administration, Public Administration, or related field, **AND** nine years of experience in positions relating to transportation, administration or financial assistance programs, **OR**
- Thirteen years of experience in positions relating to transportation, administration or financial assistance programs.

Special Working Conditions/Job Characteristics

• Job requires occasional, statewide, overnight travel.

Examples of Work

- Negotiates Amtrak contract and responds to Amtrak problems and inquires; publicizes passenger rail information; works with regional and national passenger rail groups; works with legislators and the Missouri Rail Passenger Advisory Committee (MORPAC) on Amtrak issues and concerns; chairs MORPAC committee.
- 2. Oversees the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) contract and the state's relationship with the FRA; responds to FRA inquiries and attends meetings; manages Missouri state railroad law violations and employee grievances that are referred for resolution.

- 3. Receives questions and complaints about railroads, light rail, commuter rail, and railroad crossings from the general public, state and federal legislators, media, government agencies, and rail unions; works with and interprets exposure index data, attends diagnostic reviews, grade separation discussions, rail project meetings, and rail-highway construction meetings; conducts presentations and safety outreach programs; presents railroad information seminars to various groups and serves on the board of the safety outreach program.
- 4. Contacts, negotiates, and discusses issues with railroad personnel concerning crossings, closures, contractual, and cost sharing issues, corridor design, and implementation issues; works with consultants, engineers, and private contractors on various rail projects or guidance changes affecting railroads.
- 5. Responds to audit process and acts as liaison with railroad section, railroads, and auditors.
- **6.** Tracks budget and signs expense reports; evaluates and consults with staff on issues affecting them and how to proceed in various situations.
- 7. Analyzes and prepares railroad assessments; reviews and interprets federal and state statutes and regulations for various situations involving unit; prepares and follows up on department performance measures.
- **8.** Performs supervisory responsibilities in a manner consistent with the department's equal opportunity policies.
- 9. Performs other responsibilities as required or assigned.