



BREEDE-GOURITZ CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AGENCY

The Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency (BGCMA) is an established Public Entity of the Department of Water and Sanitation. The Breede-Gouritz CMA exists to manage water resources responsibly through the continuous engagement with all stakeholders and devolve decision making to the lowest level for the benefit of all water users in the Breede-Gouritz CMA, including the environment.

WATER USE OFFICER CENTRE: George

SALARY LEVEL: Linked to OSD (Environmental Officers)

Job Purpose: To regulate water use in terms of the National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998.

Requirements: An appropriate 3 year B degree in Civil or Agricultural Engineering, Hydrology, Geo-Hydrology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Environmental Management / Environmental Sciences or related fields, with at least 3 years' proven relevant experience in water use management as specified in the National Water Act.

Key Performance Areas: • Interpret, comment, administer and apply various sections of the National Water Act and other relevant policies of the Department of Water and Sanitation and of the BGCMA. • Assist with the establishment of Estuary Forums, Water Forums etc. and further support and assist already established entities and attend meetings. • Provide input to integrated plans of Water Resources. • Provide input to Strategic and Business planning for the division. • Provide input to the development and continuous improvement of the Catchment Management Strategy (CMS). • Liaise with other Government Sectors and relevant service providers to effectively implement the CMS. • Provide input into the development of policies, strategies and guidelines for water use management. • Advising of water users on Dam safety classifications. • Identification of available water resources and development needs. • Optimization and reporting of feasibility of possible water resource developments. • Create and maintain water use programmes and projects. • Process applications for authorisation and licenses of water use in terms of the relevant Acts. • Negotiation with water users. • Initiate legal action against trespassers of the National Water Act, Section 21. • Effective management of water resources using the various Acts. • Supporting the Chief Executive Officer, Managers and other staff members in the execution of their functions. • Assist with the support and empowerment of stakeholders. • Maintain knowledge and capacity around water use both at surface water and ground water. • Provide input to Information Systems for technical decision making and support (including GIS with remote sensing and spatial analysis tools). • Management, control and verify data and analysis provided for the management of water quantity and quality control systems.

The following will serve as a recommendation: • Knowledge and understanding of the National Water Act, 1998. • Strategic thinking and management. • Technical analysis and processing of data. • Project management. • Negotiation skills. • Socio-economic risk analysis. • People management skills. • Co-operative Governance. • Clear understanding of the water sector needs i.e. Agriculture, Industry, and Domestic. • Good written and verbal communication skills including report writing. • Ability to relate with associated professional fields in a multi-disciplinary team. • Good record keeping of each quaternary area up-to date via field notes and reports. • Computer literacy. • Ability to work on multiple assignments simultaneously and under pressure. • Applicants must be in possession of an EB drivers' license and willingness to travel and work long hours.

Enquiries: Ms Prudence Mahlaba/ Mr. Ogwang Okoth at (023) 346 8031 or (023) 346 8000.

Application letters accompanied by a comprehensive Curriculum Vitae, certified copies of all relevant qualifications, certificates and copy of Identity Document must be placed in a sealed envelope marked "Vacancy: Water Use Officer" and posted to the Chief Executive Officer of the Breede-Gouritz CMA c/o the Human Resources Management Division, Private Bag X 3055, Worcester 6850 or hand delivered at the reception of the offices of the Breede-Gouritz CMA, 51 Baring Street, Worcester 6850 or applications with the subject line "vacancy: Water Use Officer" can be emailed to: careers6@bgcma.co.za.

The BGCMA is an Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer and reserves the right not to make an appointment. Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. The BGCMA may subject candidates to assessments which would include competency assessment in the advertised post. Copies of foreign qualifications must be accompanied by an evaluation certificate from the South African Qualification Authority (SAQA).

Closing date: 07 December 2018 at 16h00

Correspondence will be limited to short listed candidates only. Applicants who have received no response within three months must consider their applications as unsuccessful.