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**POSITION:** Senior Natural Resources Planner (EDCAP) (HELPS)

**DEPARTMENT:** Albany County Department of Economic Development, Conservation & Planning

**SALARY RANGE:** \$70,000-\$85,000

**WORK LOCATION & HOURS:** 112 State St. Albany, NY 12207, 8:30A—4:30P, M-F

### **BENEFITS:**

- ▶ Generous Paid Time-Off
- ▶ Health, Dental, Vision and Hearing
- ▶ NYS Retirement System
- ▶ Tuition Reimbursement
- ▶ Work-Life Balance
- ▶ Public Service Loan Forgiveness

### **DESCRIPTION:**

The Senior Natural Resource Planner plays an exciting leadership role in shaping the future of Albany County's natural and agricultural landscapes. This position leads innovative planning and conservation initiatives that protect open space, support farmland preservation, and advance sustainability across the county. Working collaboratively with municipalities, regional partners, and community stakeholders, the Planner reviews development proposals, conducts environmental and land use analyses, and helps guide policies and programs that safeguard Albany County's natural resources. With opportunities to manage key initiatives—such as Agricultural District administration, invasive species programs, and major planning efforts like the Natural Resource Inventory and Comprehensive Plan—this role blends technical expertise, strategic thinking, and public service to make a lasting impact on the region. Work is performed under the general supervision of the Director and the Deputy Director with latitude for independent decision-making and project management. Does related work as required.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: EITHER:**

- A. Graduation from a New York State or regionally accredited college or university with a Master's Degree in natural resource management, environmental planning, environmental science, urban or regional planning, geography, or a closely related field and three (3) years of experience in natural resource management or planning work; OR,
- B. Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in natural resource management, environmental planning, environmental science, urban or regional planning, geography, or a closely related field and five (5) years of experience in natural resource management or planning work.

### **NOTE:**

Demonstrated experience managing projects with minimal supervision and coordinating multi-stakeholder initiatives preferred.

**Please submit a copy of your resume and cover letter with this application.**

### **POINT OF CONTACT FOR INQUIRIES:**

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**Candidates will not have to take an exam for this title.** This is a Hiring Emergency Limited Placement (HELP) Program-designated title. The HELP Program is a temporary program designed to help local government employers address current staffing issues. Traditionally, the titles filled under the HELP Program required job candidates to compete in a competitive exam to be considered for employment. For the duration of the program, this title will be classified as non-competitive and categorized as a "HELP Program" position. At the close of the program, this position will revert to competitive class status. Employees occupying positions filled through the HELP Program will be granted competitive class status without the need to participate in a competitive exam.

