Budget Analyst (Budget Analyst 3)



Salary \$56,676.00 - \$76,188.00 Annually

Location Thurston County – Lacey, WA

Job Type Full Time - Permanent

Remote Employment Flexible/Hybrid

Job Number 2024-FS3646-06165

Department Dept. of Ecology

Division Financial Services

Opening Date 05/22/2024

Closing Date Continuous

Salary Information The high end of the salary range, Step M is typically a longevity step

DESCRIPTION
BENEFITS

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Description





Keeping Washington Clean and Evergreen

The **Financial Services Division** within the Department of Ecology is looking to fill a **Budget Analyst** (Budget Analyst 3) position. This position is located in our **Headquarters Office** in <u>Lacey, WA.</u> Upon hire, you must live within a commutable distance from the duty station.

In this role, you will assist and collaborate with the Agency Budget Director, Senior Financial Analyst, and program Budget Managers to provide budget support to Ecology's \$938 million biennial operating budget and \$2.7 billion capital budget. You will support and contribute to the mission by providing detailed budget analysis, preparation of allotments, coordination of agencywide budget processes, and accurate and timely reporting for agencywide budget monitoring and management.

Agency Mission: Ecology's mission is to protect, preserve and enhance the environment for current and future generations.

Program Mission: The Financial Services mission is to manage the agency's financial resources and support agency planning so that environmental goals and strategic priorities are met.

Tele-work options for this position: This position will have flexibility of a hybrid schedule, empowering work from home and office, providing less time in traffic and shrinking your carbon footprint. This position will be eligible for up to a 80% telework schedule. Applicants with questions about position location options, tele-work, and flexible or compressed schedules are encouraged to reach out to the contact person listed below in "other information." Schedules are dependent upon position needs and are subject to change.

Application Timeline: This position will remain open until filled; we will review applications on June 5, 2024. In order to be considered, please submit an application on or before **June 4, 2024**. If your application isn't received by this date, it may not be considered. The agency reserves the right to make a Hire any time after the initial screening date.

Please Note: We will review all applications received before the date above. Additional reviews after this date typically only occur if we have a small applicant pool, or if a successful Hire was not made. Ecology employees may be eligible for the following:

Medical/Dental/Vision for employee & dependent(s), Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), Vacation, Sick, and other Leave*, <u>11 Paid Holidays per</u> year*, Public Service Loan Forgiveness, Tuition Waiver, Long Term Disability & Life Insurance, Deferred Compensation Programs, Dependent Care Assistance Program (DCAP), Flexible Spending Arrangement (FSA), Employee Assistance Program, Commute Trip Reduction Incentives (Download PDF reader), Combined Fund Drive, SmartHealth *Click here for more information

About the Department of Ecology

Protecting Washington State's environment for current and future generations is what we do every day at Ecology. We are a culture that is invested in making a difference. Join a team that is highly effective and collaborative, with leadership that embraces the value of people. To learn more, check out our <u>Strategic Plan</u>.

Ecology cares deeply about employee wellness; we go beyond traditional benefits, proudly offering:

- A healthy life/work balance by offering flexible schedules and telework options for most positions.
- An Infants at Work Program that is based on the long-term health values of infant-parent bonding and breastfeeding newborns.
- Continuous growth and development opportunities.
- Opportunities to serve your community and make an impact through meaningful work.

Our commitment to DEIR

Diversity, equity, inclusion, and respect (DEIR) are core values central to Ecology's work. We strive to be a workplace where we are esteemed for sharing our authentic identities, while advancing our individual professional goals and collaborating to protect, preserve, and enhance the environment for current and future generations.

Diversity: We celebrate and appreciate diversity; our unique perspectives and abilities enrich us all and lead to innovative approaches and solutions.

Equity: We champion equity, recognizing that each of us need different things to thrive.

Inclusion: We intentionally create and hold space so that we all have meaningful opportunities to participate and contribute to Ecology's work.

Respect: We treat each other with respect and dignity, acknowledging the inherent worth of our diverse perspectives and lived experiences, even in times of uncertainty and disagreement.

We believe that DEIR is both a goal and an action. We are on a journey, honoring our shared humanity and taking steps to demonstrate our commitment to a vision where each of us is heard, seen, and valued.

Duties



What makes this role unique?

We are looking for applicants who have strong analytical and technical skills, enjoy working in systems and Microsoft Excel, are detail oriented, possess great problem solving skills and are customer service oriented. In this role, you will have a great opportunity to work with an experienced budget team and build a foundation in Ecology's complex budget and statewide budget systems.

What you will do:

- Provide budget reports for agencywide budget monitoring and management.
- Support budget managers with budget analysis, research, preparation of allotments, staffing file updates, activity recast, and other budget processes.
- Provide analysis, support, and system entry of agency budget allotments.

- Coordinate the assignment and tracking of fiscal notes across agency programs.
- Coordinate and analyze agencywide budget and allotment processes for revenue.
- Assist in the development and submittal of the agency budget request.

Qualifications

Required Qualifications:

Years of required experience indicated below are full-time equivalent years. Fulltime equivalent experience means that any experience where working hours were less than 40 hours per week will be prorated in order to meet the equivalency of fulltime. We would calculate this by looking at the total hours worked per week, divide this by 40, and then multiply by the total number of months worked. Examples of the proration calculations are:

- 30 hours worked per week for 20 months: (30/40) x 20 months = 15 months full-time equivalent
- 20 hours worked per week for 12 months: (20/40) x 12 months = 6 months full-time equivalent

Experience for both required and desired qualifications can be gained through various combinations of formal professional employment, education, and volunteer experience. See below for how you may qualify.

Option 1: Nine (9) years of professional experience in budget, finance, accounting, or related field and/or education from an accredited institution in business, finance, public administration, accounting, economics, or related field.

Option 2: A Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution in business, finance, public administration, accounting, economics, or related field **AND** five (5) years of professional experience in budget, finance, accounting, or related field.

Option 3: A Master's degree from an accredited institution in business, finance, public administration, accounting, economics, or related field **AND** three (3) years of professional experience in budget, finance, accounting, or related field.

See chart below for a list of ways to qualify for this position at the **Budget Analyst 4** level:

Possible Combinations.	College credit hours or degree – as listed above.	Years of professional level experience – as listed above.
Combination 1	No college credit hours or degree	9 years of experience
Combination 2	I have 30-59 semester or 45- 89 quarter credits.	8 years of experience

Combination 3	I have 60-89 semester or 90- 134 quarter credits (AA degree).	7 years of experience
Combination 4	I have 90-119 semester or 135-179 quarter credits.	6 years of experience
Combination 5	A Bachelor's Degree	5 years of experience
Combination 6	A Master's Degree or higher	3 years of experience

Desired Qualifications:

We highly encourage you to apply even if you do not have some (or all) of the desired experience below.

• Experience performing duties in a state agency in accounting and budget.

• Knowledge of and experience working with automated statewide budget/allotment systems, financial reporting systems, and fiscal note system.

• Advanced skills in Microsoft Excel.

Note: Having some (or all) of this desired experience may make your application more competitive in a highly competitive applicant pool.

Supplemental Information

Ecology seeks diverse applicants: We view diversity, equity, inclusion, and respect through a broad lens including race, ethnicity, class, age, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, immigration status, military background, language, education, life experience, physical disability, neurodiversity, and intersectional identities. Qualified candidates from all backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

<u>Need an Accommodation</u> in the application and/or screening process or this job announcement in an alternative format?

- Please call: (360) 407-6186 or email: <u>careers@ecy.wa.gov</u> and we will be happy to assist.
- If you are deaf or hard of hearing you can reach the Washington Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1 or 1-800-833-6384.
- If you need assistance applying for this job, please email <u>careers@ecy.wa.gov</u>. Please do not send an email to this address to follow-up on the status of your application. You can view the latest status of your application on your profile's main page.
- If you are reading this announcement in print format, please enter the following URL to your search engine to apply: <u>https://ecology.wa.gov/About-us/Get-to-know-us/Jobs-at-Ecology</u>.

Application Instructions:

It's in the applicant's best interest to submit all of the documents listed below. Applications without these documents may be declined.

- A cover letter describing why you are interested in this position.
- A resume outlining your experience and education (if applicable) as it relates to the minimum qualifications of this position.

Please do NOT include your salary history. Wage/salary depends on qualifications or rules of promotion, if applicable.

For Your Privacy:

When attaching documents to your application (such as Resume, Cover Letter, Transcripts, DD-214, etc.):

- Please be sure to remove private information such as your social security number, date of birth, etc.
- Do not attach documents that are password-protected, as these documents may not be reviewed and may cause errors within your application when downloaded.

Additional Application Instructions for Current Ecology Employees:

Please make sure to answer the agency-wide questions regarding permanent status as a classified employee within the Washington General Service or Washington Management Service. Do not forget to select Department of Ecology as a response to question 2, and type your personnel ID number for question 3. If you are not sure of your status or do not know your personnel ID number, please contact Human Resources.

Application Attestation:

The act of submitting application materials electronically is considered affirmation that the information is complete and truthful. The state may verify this information and any untruthful or misleading answers are cause for rejection of your application or dismissal if employed.

Other Information:

If you have specific questions about the position, please email Lars Andreassen at: <u>lars.andreassen@ecy.wa.gov</u>. Please do not contact Lars to inquire about the status of your application.

To request the full position description: email <u>careers@ecy.wa.gov</u>

Why work for Ecology?

As an agency, our mission is to protect, preserve and enhance Washington's environment for current and future generations. We invest in our employees to create and sustain a working environment that encourages creative leadership, effective resource management, teamwork, professionalism, and accountability.

Joining Ecology means becoming a part of a team committed to protecting and restoring Washington State's environment. A career in public service allows you to help solve some of the most challenging problems facing our state, while keeping your health and financial security a priority. We combine one of the most competitive benefits packages in the nation with a strong commitment to life/work balance.

To learn more about The Department of Ecology, please visit our website at <u>www.ecology.wa.gov</u> and follow, like or visit us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> or our <u>blog</u>.

Collective Bargaining: This is a position covered by a bargaining unit for which the Washington Federation of State Employees (WFSE) is the exclusive representative.

Equal Opportunity Employer: The Washington State Department of Ecology is an equal opportunity employer. We strive to create a working environment that includes and respects cultural, racial, ethnic, sexual orientation and gender identity diversity. Women, racial and ethnic minorities, persons of disability, persons over 40 years of age, veterans, military spouses or people with military status, and people of all sexual orientations and gender identities are encouraged to apply. Persons needing accommodation in the application/testing process or this job announcement in an alternative format may call (360) 407-6186. Applicants who are deaf or hard of hearing may call the Washington Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1 or 1-800-833-6384.

Note: This recruitment may be used to fill other positions of the same job classification across the agency. Once all the position(s) from the recruitment announcement are filled, the recruitment may only be used to fill additional open positions for the next sixty (60) days.