Ford County Engineer Job Posting

Ford County, Illinois is seeking an experienced, highly motivated and collaborative individual to serve as County Engineer. This position performs all services and acts reasonably necessary to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of County Engineer as described in the Illinois Highway Code (605 ILCS 5).

Responsibilities

Ford County has 108 miles of county highways with 40 NBIS bridges, 725 miles of township roads with 199 NBIS bridges, and 12 Township Highway Commissioners.

Minimum Qualifications

Candidates shall meet the minimum qualifications of 605 ILCS 5/5-201 and shall in addition:

- Have current registration as a Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Illinois
- Have at least eight (8) years of significant practical, progressively responsible experience in civil highway and bridge engineering including:
    - Phase I & II design
    - Phase III construction engineering
    - Drainage analyses and evaluations
    - Construction and maintenance
    - Three (3) years' experience supervising staff and managing engineering functions
- Have proficient computer and technology skills in word processing, spreadsheet, database, e-mail and internet research
- Have familiarity with budgeting, accounting and bookkeeping
- Have a valid driver's license
- Receive a satisfactory grade on the examination for the position of County Engineer as administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation
- Have strong writing and oral communication skills
- Have the ability to work with a wide variety of public and private stakeholders

Desirable Qualifications

Desirable candidates will in addition:

- Have and possess a strong business and administrative background
- Have the ability to interpret laws, policies, procedures, plan documents, contract language, material designs, material testing, and other relevant documents for local, state and federally funded projects.
- Have the ability to serve as Project Manager for Federal required bridge inspections.

Job Description

a) Prepare or cause to be prepared, plans, specifications and estimates for all bridges and culverts to be built by the County, or by one or more road districts, and supervise the construction of all such bridges and culverts.
b) Act for the County in all matters relating to the supervision of the construction or maintenance of any highway constructed or maintained in whole or in part at the expense of Ford County.
c) Advise the Highway Commissioners of the road districts in Ford County as to the best methods of construction, repair, or maintenance of township roads.
d) Upon request of a Highway Commissioner of any road district in the county, prepare or cause to be prepared all maps, plans, specifications and estimates of cost needed in order to comply with the law as it pertains to the construction of township roads.
e) Supervise the construction or maintenance of all county highways within Ford County.
f) Perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law and applicable rules and regulations of the Illinois Department of Transportation and as required or directed by the Ford County Board, provided such requirements or directions of said board are not inconsistent with the law.
g) Supervise all highway department employees.
h) Handle or cause to be handled all purchasing and financial transactions of the highway department in accordance with applicable policies established by the County Board of Ford County, the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration and other applicable state and federal agencies, subject to state and federal law, in cooperation with the County Board.

How to Apply

We do not sponsor foreign nationals for immigration purposes. Applications should not be submitted if an immigration sponsorship will be required either now or in the future. Only United States Permanent Residents or Citizens will be considered.

Starting Salary - $121,500 to $140,000 DOQ

We offer an excellent benefit package including medical, dental, vision, FSA, paid holidays, personal days, sick days, vacation, and retirement. If you are interested in this position, please submit a cover letter, resume, application and copy of the current and valid Illinois P.E. License to Mr. Tim Nuss, Ford County Highway Committee Chairman, 305 Highway 54, Roberts, IL 60962 or via email at fordcohi@maxwire.net.

Application Deadline: Open Until Filled.

Ford County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.