Missouri Department of Transportation Job Description

Job Title: Senior Communications Specialist Title Code: R04607 Salary Grade: 9 Exemption Status: Exempt Supervisory Responsibilities: None District/Division: Central and District Offices - Communications Effective Date: 12-16-2024 Replaces (Effective Date): 12-01-2024

General Summary

The senior communications specialist performs varied and complex communications activities related to the development of department publications, website editorial content, brochures, and news media releases; coordinates and administers special projects and training programs. Responsibilities are performed under general supervision.

Minimum/Required Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree: Communications, Journalism, Marketing, or related field, **AND** four years of experience in communications related positions, **OR**
- Eight years of experience in communications related positions.

Special Working Conditions/Job Characteristics

• Job requires occasional, statewide, travel.

Examples of Work

- 1. Plans, develops, and edits department publications.
- 2. Writes feature stories for department publications and web site; maintains web site information.
- **3.** Coordinates special public relations projects such as Missouri State Fair exhibits, employee surveys, roadway safety activities, and other programs as needed.
- 4. Develops and delivers presentations on department issues to internal and external groups.

- 5. Develops department brochures, newsletters, handouts, posters, and other publicity material.
- **6.** Researches and prepares presentation materials for management personnel on designated topics.
- 7. Edits videos and photos; develops motion graphics and animations.
- 8. Prepares media releases and responds to media and public inquiries regarding department activities.
- **9.** Coaches management and staff on issues/topics to refine messages for media interviews, public meetings, and other public presentations.
- **10.** Develops and prepares layout and graphic design for department brochures, newsletters, programs, and other publications.
- **11.** Generates, edits, and publishes social media content.
- **12.** Supports district customer service activities.
- **13.** Performs other responsibilities as required or assigned.