

## **Angela N. Smith**

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### **EDUCATION**

Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs  
Master of Science, Environmental Science  
Graduation: May 2003

North Carolina State University, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Bachelor of Science, Zoology  
Graduation: May 1996

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Director of Natural Resources  
Jan 2016-Present

Three Rivers Park District, 12615 Rockford Road, Plymouth, Minnesota 55441

- Lead a team of 29 full-time natural resources professionals to protect, restore and manage regional resources
- Manage budget and capital improvement funds for transparent fiscal responsibility
- Provide long-term vision and short-term planning guidance for enhanced natural resources management
- Ensure effective communication and coordination across the District and between other regional partners
- Provide professional development opportunities to continue building current and future leaders within the organization
- Work with colleagues as a member of the Leadership Team to provide guidance and direction for the entire organization
- Serve as the Chair for the District-wide Sustainability Committee as we strive to meet sustainability targets for 2025, 2040 and 2050
- Serve as the lead facilitator for the LGBTQ Employee Resource Group

Natural Resources Specialist  
Nov 2010-Dec 2015

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rivers Project Office, PO Box 337, Alton, Illinois 62002

- Developed strategic plans to further the Interpretive Services and Outreach mission based on assessment data and stakeholder recommendations
- Supervised a staff of six Natural Resources Specialists/Park Rangers (4 full-time, 2 part-time) in an effective team environment
- Coordinated all interpretive, outreach and education programs within the Rivers Project area along the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers

- Served as the Public Affairs Liaison between the St. Louis District and the Rivers Project Office
- Worked with other Corps staff on program and event development within the Environmental Stewardship, Recreation, and Navigation sections
- Managed all aspects of operations and maintenance at the National Great Rivers Museum
- Served as staff liaison with the Meeting of the Rivers Foundation to develop funding for programs, materials and supplies to meet outreach needs in the region
- Developed and enhanced partnerships with regional organizations and collaborated regularly to increase education and outreach opportunities
- Coordinated “Our Mississippi” curriculum facilitator and educator workshops in association with multiple partner organizations throughout the Upper Mississippi River region
- Directed all logistical coordination for special events, to include, but not limited to “Masters of the Sky,” “Great Rivers Festival,” and “Night at the Museum”
- Wrote and refined grant applications to increase education and outreach funding through approved processes
- Coordinated for improved access and education opportunities for disabled visitors

#### Natural Resources Coordinator

Sept 2003-May 2009

Bloomington Parks and Recreation, PO Box 848, Bloomington, Indiana 47402

- Researched and provided recommendations for managing natural resources from prairie systems to freshwater aquatic systems
- Developed management and monitoring strategies for controlling nuisance aquatic vegetation species
- Developed and organized environmental education programs for public constituents and school groups of all ages, especially the 6th grade Leonard Springs Nature Day program
- Facilitated environmental education workshops and encouraged participation in service learning projects
- Wrote grants for funding multiple projects throughout the Parks natural resource system, including school-wide environmental education programs
- Collaborated with multiple area agencies and organizations on community outreach programs and projects
- Committee member of Storm Water Environmental Education Team and staff liaison for the Environmental Resources Advisory Council
- Managed seven to ten staff members at the Griffy Lake boathouse; performed staff evaluations and handled any issues associated with daily operation
- Supervised interns working on various projects to better the city’s natural areas

### Lake Biologist

Aug 2001-Aug 2003

Lake Lemon Conservancy District, 7599 N. Tunnel Road, Unionville, Indiana 47468

- Recommended aquatic natural resource management techniques to Board of Directors
- Surveyed and mapped aquatic vegetation
- Implemented wildlife management plan, especially for Canada goose control
- Updated and amended aquatic plant management plan annually
- Received Golden Eagle Grant and supervised establishment of native prairie demonstration area and nature trail renovation
- Presented lake and watershed biologist roles and responsibilities to undergraduate and graduate level aquatic resources classes

### **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

#### After-school Homework Help

Sep 2018-Present

Brookdale Library, Shingle Creek Drive, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota 55429

- Assist students with school homework
- Provide guidance and direction for students in critical thinking

#### Community Garden Board Chair

Jan 2012-Dec 2014

Tower Grove East Community Garden, Sydney Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63118

- Provided overall leadership and coordination for a 22-member city garden plot
- Developed by-laws for better organization of the TGE Community Garden
- Recruited other community members to join the garden
- Worked with volunteer organizations and local businesses to enhance garden operations and conduct volunteer work days
- Volunteered a minimum of 10-15 hours per month on community garden operations

#### Volunteer Firefighter

Aug 2007-Oct 2008

Ellettsville Fire Department, 5080 W. State Road 46, Bloomington, Indiana 47404

- Received First Responder and mandatory Firefighter training to commence service
- Continued on-going training to improve skills and techniques for responding to emergency calls
- Volunteered 16-30 hours per month on stand-by time at the Fire Station
- Responded to emergency medical service calls, vehicular accidents and fire alarms as a volunteer member of the department