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NMDWS Labor Relations Division to host rapid hire event *\$1.8 million dollars in legislative funding allocated to hire additional positions*

ALBUQUERQUE – The New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions’ Labor Relations Division (LRD) will host a rapid hire event on Monday in Albuquerque to fill critical positions.

Staff will interview interested candidates on-site on Monday, June 17, between 1 and 5 p.m., and June 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the New Mexico Workforce Connection employment center located at 501 Mountain Rd NE in Albuquerque.

The division aims to fill more than a dozen positions including Wage & Hour State Investigator and Public Works Management Analyst roles during the event.

“Enforcing wage laws is a critical mission of our department,” said **NMDWS Secretary Sarita Nair**. “We are very grateful that the Governor and the Legislature responded to historic increases in wage claims by providing additional funding to handle these cases. The group that comes on board through this Rapid Hire event will join a dedicated team to tackle the pressing challenge of making sure everyone receives fair pay for their work.”

The LRD received \$1.8 million in legislative funding to hire additional positions and procure office space and equipment. The Division completed a staffing plan based on the recurring budget to hire 14 State Investigator positions for the Wage & Hour unit, two Management Analyst positions for the Public Works unit, and a dedicated Staff Attorney position to assist the entire Division.

“Increases in staff will enable the Division to meet and exceed critical obligations,” said **LRD Division Director Kimberly Souders**. “These obligations include adherence to statutory and outside litigation requirements, maintaining a manageable caseload, reducing the risk of case backlog, providing education and outreach programs to employers, and increasing public and legislative confidence in our services.”

Applicants should bring multiple copies of an updated resume, their birth certificate, social security number, driver’s license, and proof of right to work in the United States, if applicable. Professional attire is recommended.

RAPID HIRE EVENT



 **JUNE 17, 2024 | 1-5PM**
JUNE 18, 2024 | 9AM-1PM



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WHAT TO BRING

- Copies of your updated resume
- Five (5) professional references (former/current supervisors)
- Proof of right to work in the U.S.
- Dress for success
- *Suggested - Copy of unofficial transcripts for highest level of education achieved

For more information and/or to request accommodations contact your local New Mexico Workforce Connection

ABOUT THE RAPID HIRE EVENT

During the Rapid Hire, qualified applicants will be interviewed by key decision makers on-site at the New Mexico Workforce Connection Center in Albuquerque and find out about a job offer same day or shortly after.

INTERVIEWING FOR

State Investigator / \$29.11/hr

Location: Albuquerque

Wage & Hour Investigators are responsible for enhancing the welfare of and protecting New Mexico's employees by enforcing the New Mexico Minimum Wage Act and the New Mexico Wage Payment Act. They do so by objectively and impartially reviewing claims, conducting audits, communicating with the parties, facilitating settlements, gathering and evaluating evidence, and drafting administrative decisions.

Management Analyst - O / \$19.24 - \$25.01/hr

Location: Albuquerque

The Management Analyst - Operational position enforces compliance of the Public Works Minimum Wage Act and the Apprenticeship and Training Act to include payment and collection of wages. The position will conduct extensive in-depth investigations and audits of employer's payroll records, fringe benefit payments, apprenticeship agreements and other records concerning prevailing wage law compliance.