

**Organization:** NYS Tug Hill Commission

**Location:** Watertown, NY

**Anticipated Start Date:** ASAP

**Title:** Senior Planner

**Application Deadline:** Reviewed as received, but no later than Thursday, May 23.

The NYS Tug Hill Commission is hiring a **Senior Planner** to assist local governments in the rural Tug Hill region in land use planning, local law development and revision, and general technical support to planning boards and other municipal boards. The Tug Hill Commission is a unique state agency that recently celebrated 50 years of “helping local governments and citizens shape the future of the Tug Hill region.” Work at the Tug Hill Commission allows staff to be involved with a variety of municipalities and organizations, often implementing innovative ideas. There are also opportunities to be involved in regional and state level policy issues and be a voice for rural communities in New York State. For more information see [www.tughill.org](http://www.tughill.org).

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

- The preparation of town and village comprehensive plans;
- The preparation of zoning laws, subdivision regulations, and other local land use controls;
- The creation of maps and other GIS products in support of planning projects;
- The organization and/or delivery of training workshops for municipal land use officials;
- Other related tasks as required.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, and PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

- Good knowledge of the principles and procedures of planning and related research;
- Ability to exercise sound professional judgment;
- Ability to undertake complex planning and related research work at a high professional level;
- Ability to work on interdisciplinary projects related to community development and natural resources;
- Ability to present oneself well and communicate effectively both orally and in writing;
- Ability to get along well with others, especially local officials;
- Ability to attend evening meetings throughout the Tug Hill region;
- Proficiency with word processing, spreadsheet, database, and presentation software (Microsoft and Adobe products);
- Familiarity with Geographic Information System (GIS) software (particularly QGIS);
- Familiarity with governmental procedures, New York State planning and zoning law, and the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Minimum of four years' experience as a planner, with demonstrated increased levels of responsibility, and a degree from a regionally accredited college in Architecture, City or Regional Planning, Geography, Political Science, Environmental Studies, or Landscape Architecture. Master's degree preferred; Bachelor's degree required.
- NYS Driver's License.

**SALARY:**

The position of Senior Planner is a Management Confidential (M/C) NYS Grade Equivalent 18 with a hiring rate of \$65,164 and job rate of \$80,860. The position also includes M/C benefits of health insurance and NYS retirement, as well as other benefits. For more information regarding M/C positions and benefits, see:

<https://goer.ny.gov/management-confidential-mc>.

**CONTACT:**

**Submit letter of interest and resume to** Matt Johnson, Planning Director, Tug Hill Commission, 317 Washington Street, Watertown, NY 13601, [matt@tughill.org](mailto:matt@tughill.org) ASAP.

