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College Students Encouraged to Apply for Annual Summer Internship Program with the Department of Environmental **Protection**

93 Internships for Prospective Engineers, Planners, Lawyers and other Professionals

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today encouraged college students to apply for summer job opportunities through its annual internship program. The program this year is offering 93 internships—the majority of them paid positions—in the fields of engineering, science, planning, sustainability, law, community outreach and more. Those accepted into the 10week summer internship program will have the chance to work alongside a team of highly trained and skilled DEP employees who operate the nation's largest municipal water and wastewater utility, and regulate noise and air pollution throughout the five boroughs.

"DEP's summer internship program offers great opportunities for college students studying in the metropolitan area," DEP Commissioner Emily Lloyd said. "By working closely with our engineers, scientists and other professionals, we hope that interns enrolled in our program are also inspired to protect public health and the environment by becoming the next generation of dedicated public servants in New York City."

The intern positions available include summer work associated with New York City's drinking water distribution system, wastewater treatment facilities, construction and repair projects, community outreach, legal affairs, air quality permitting, sustainability projects, environmental health and safety compliance, graphic design, community outreach, and digitizing nearly two centuries worth of water system archives. The vast majority of the internships are located at DEP's main office in Queens; three of the positions will be located at the DEP Archives in Manhattan. Information about these internships, including online applications, can be found on the DEP website by clicking here.

Prospective interns are encouraged to carefully read the qualifications for each job to determine whether they meet the enrollment, GPA, coursework and other requirements. Candidates must submit applications by April 1.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than nine million residents, including eight million in New York City. The water is delivered from a watershed that extends more than 125 miles from the city, comprising 19 reservoirs and three controlled lakes. Approximately 7,000 miles of water mains, tunnels and aqueducts bring water to homes and businesses throughout the five boroughs, and 7,500 miles of sewer lines and 96 pump stations take wastewater to 14 in-city treatment plants. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program, with a planned \$14 billion

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in investments over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. This capital program is responsible for critical projects like City Water Tunnel No. 3; the Staten Island Bluebelt program, an ecologically sound and cost-effective stormwater management system; the city's Watershed Protection Program, which protects sensitive lands upstate near the city's reservoirs in order to maintain their high water quality; and the installation of more than 820,000 Automated Meter Reading devices, which will allow customers to track their daily water use, more easily manage their accounts and be alerted to potential leaks on their properties. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter.

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