

Job Description and Qualifications
Outside Plant Field Engineer/Locator

Entry level OSP position reports to the Outside Plant Manager. Field Engineer/Locator will work collaboratively with BalsamWest FiberNET's (BWFN's) OSP team to monitor and inspect existing and ongoing outside plant projects, ensuring that all network quality requirements and timelines are met.

Position requires strong communication and organizational skills, ability to multi-task, problem solve and the ability to work well with a team as well as independently. Telecommunication industry experience is a plus.

Due to the nature of this OSP position and the "On Call" requirements, the applicant for this position must reside in Jackson, Macon or Swain County, NC.

Specific job functions will include:

- Perform Site Surveys as requested
- Interaction between Customer and Sales Team
- Determine construction methods as in aerial, underground and use of existing conduit
- Preparation of engineering drawings
- Preparation of DOT Permits, As-Built maps and Spreadsheets
- Private Easement/ Right of Way procurement
- Construction and splicing supervision within RUS or BW guidelines
- Oversight of existing facility re-locations
- Maintaining OSP material inventory
- Responsible for locating BW existing OSP infrastructure with BW issued locators
- Expect to verify locate (expose) by digging up facilities
- Monitor, complete and clear locate tickets as needed
- Produce monthly status reports
- Update One Call mapping Grid
- Attend One Call meetings for NC, GA and TN on a monthly basis
- Maintain inventory of materials for locating purposes
- Maintain or replace of Warning Signs as needed
- Maintain communication with the various utility companies
- Maintain communication with State, County and City Governmental Organizations

- Expect to perform testing of fibers utilizing OTDR, Power Meter and various other testing equipment
- Assume additional responsibilities as necessary

In addition to industry specific requirements, the following general requirements apply:

- Demonstrated effective verbal and written communications skills
- Demonstrated customer care skills
- Demonstrated effective teaming skills
- Microsoft Office proficiency
- Highly motivated and positive attitude
- Experienced in hands-on inspection of field projects and vendor relations
- Ensure all BWFN and OSHA safety requirements are met
- Responsible for reviewing as-built documents and assuring their accuracy.
- Periodic review of quality standards and construction specifications, and inspection of outside plant for compliance to construction specifications
- Report daily to OSP Manager

Due to the nature of BWFN's requirements, this position requires both scheduled and non-scheduled "on-call availability":

- Construction/cutover or locate activities at times will require after hours or Sunday work (middle of the night)
- Emergency locates and fiber cuts require timely response (24 hours a day)
- Expected to be available 24/7

Physical requirements of this position include the ability to lift 50 lbs. BSA required or 5 years' experience in OSP related work.