

Tara Macrae – Operator Position

What interests you about this position as a Director on the EOCP Board?

With 20 years of experience in the water and wastewater industry, I am interested in giving back to both the Environmental Operator Certification Program and the industry that has supported me throughout my career. I would like to be able to support and mentor operators throughout the province of BC. I am interested in advocating for the importance of clean drinking water and supporting all communities and operators in achieving this. Lastly, I would like to be able to assist the EOCP in upholding their core values and standards of practice that have formed the foundation of my own career.

What are the most important functions of a Director of the EOCP Board?

The most important function of a director is their fiduciary duty to protect, support and promote the organization and its membership. It is also important to be familiar with and follow the EOCP's constitutions and bylaws. Another key function of a director is to uphold the responsibilities as outlined in the position responsibilities document, which includes a commitment for the entire term of the appointment, to actively participate on the board, and participate on committees as requested. Further, it is an integral function to build relationships with the EOCP CEO as well as other board members and to be committed to working collaboratively towards the greater good of the Environmental Operators Certification Program. As a director and representative of the EOCP, it will be crucial to provide support to Indigenous communities throughout the province and to promote diversity in the industry.

What skills, knowledge, and attributes would you bring to the EOCP Board?

I have a diverse skill set, strong attributes, a broad knowledge base and over 20 years of experience. I also have a strong working relationship with the Fraser Health Authority, and many municipalities throughout the Fraser Valley and lowermainland.

My skill set includes certification in Water Treatment 1, Water Distribution 2, Chlorine Handling, and Backflow Assembly Testing (expired). I am a certified Environmental Technologist and a certified Public Works Inspector through ASTT BC. I hold a BCMSA Supervisor Safety Certificate, and I am working on a certificate in Emergency Management through the Justice Institute. My education includes watershed management, chemistry, and first nations education.



My strengths and attributes include being fair, practical and open minded. Along with being a collaborative leader, I am analytical by nature, and have strong interpersonal skills. I have over 14 years of experience working in local government, with an additional 3 years of experience working in a small, isolated community in a multi-utility setting. I have indepth knowledge of both drinking water and environmental regulations. I am familiar in working in union environments and have emergency management experience.