

**Planner II / Planner III**  
**Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments**  
**Kelso, Washington**  
**\$57,877 - \$72,346 (PLANNER II) / \$66,043 - \$82,554 (PLANNER III)**

Located in Kelso, Washington, the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments serves the communities primarily within the southwest Washington counties of Cowlitz and Wahkiakum. The region offers residents a comfortable, small-town lifestyle with access to the many outdoor recreational and cultural opportunities to be found on the Pacific Coast, the nearby mountains, and the two major metropolitan cities of Seattle and Portland, Oregon.

The Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments (CWCOG) is a voluntary association supported by a membership of 36 entities made up of counties, cities/towns, ports, school districts, utility districts, fire districts, economic development councils, a community college, 911 public authority, chambers, and nonprofit agencies in the region. CWCOG has a highly varied work program with initiatives undertaken in the areas of long and short-term regional and local planning, transportation and economic development planning, community development, technical assistance, and a wide array of contractual services. CWCOG is a board-directed organization and has a 2022 budget of \$1,293,207 and employs approximately 9 FTEs.

Accountable to the Executive Director, the Planner III classification is distinguished from other COG planning positions by end-to-end project responsibility; building and managing projects to deliver contractual products on-time, on-budget, and to quality standards. The Planner III classification may provide work direction to a project team on occasion. Accountable to the Executive Director, the Planner II classification is distinguished from other COG planning positions by the need for specialized planning knowledge and the ability to work on moderately difficult projects with limited supervision.

A bachelor's degree in Urban and Regional Planning or a similar field, and 3-5 years of planning experience is required. Experience related to urban or regional plans, comprehensive plans, economic development, transportation, or community development is a plus. The ideal candidate will demonstrate strong generalist skills, and project leadership experience, including requisite planning, organizational and people skills.

For a complete position profile and to apply online, visit Prothman at <https://www.prothman.com/>, click on "Open Recruitments" and then click the position title. For questions, call 206-368-0050. The Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments is an Equal Opportunity Employer. First review of applications: **June 19, 2022** (open until filled).