

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

TITLE: Rangeland Ecologist – 2 positions available

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Rangeland Ecologists will have primary responsibility for setting up experimental studies for ecology research projects and then the collection and analysis of data and samples from those studies. One Rangeland Ecologist will primarily work on a global change related project in the Mojave Desert of southern Nevada: the Nevada Desert FACE Facility (see http://www.unlv.edu/Climate_Change_Research/ for more detail on this project). The second Rangeland Ecologist will primarily work on a cheatgrass control and rangeland restoration project (see <http://www.ag.unr.edu/ifafs/> for more details on this project) and a recently-funded project that examines the effects of de- and anti-icing compounds on vegetation in the Lake Tahoe Basin. The successful candidates will play a key role in meeting the goals and objectives of these projects and will interact with researchers across the region. The Rangeland Ecologists will spend extended periods of time at remote field study locations, especially during the spring and summer. The ecologists will also need to interact and work with other collaborating investigators as needed. These grant-funded positions are expected to continue for approximately 2 years; continued employment is contingent on the availability of funding. Medical, dental, and vision benefits are provided for the employee.

QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Plant Ecology, Natural Resources, or related field and at least 1 year of professional experience that includes sampling design, collection, analysis, and publishing of data from process-based ecological field studies. Candidates also must be: 1) capable of extended fieldwork under adverse weather conditions; 2) capable of using 4-wheel drive vehicles and mechanized field equipment; 3) able to work effectively with minimal supervision plus work as a productive team member; and 4) highly motivated with strong interpersonal and communication skills.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: A Master's degree in one of the above fields with demonstration of knowledge and experience in the above areas is preferred. Highly desirable qualifications include demonstrated abilities to: use scientific equipment to test, sample, and gather data; and measure, record, and interpret vegetation data. Additional preferred qualifications include: the taxonomy and identification of montane and desert vegetation; and experimental design, computers, and statistical analyses.

TO APPLY: For a complete description of these positions as well as to apply for these positions, go to: www.unrsearch.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=52226.

CLOSING DATE: May 3, 2007.