

Rangeland Ecology Technicians

Sagebrush Steppe Treatment Evaluation Program

Positions: Full-time Temporary

Location: Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Center, Burns, OR

Dates: mid May to mid August, 2008

Job Description:

Technicians will assist in a juniper woodland and shrub steppe research project. Results of this study will be used to develop fire management plans, restoration strategies, and wildlife habitat guidelines. Technicians will work closely with research assistants and scientists. Field work will involve the collection of plant community data, fuels, biomass and soils. Office and laboratory work involves processing and weighing biomass samples and data entry. Technicians will be entering data in August.



Field work schedule will typically be 6-8 days in the field and 4-6 days off. Work days will typically be 10 -12 hour days. Field crews will be camping in remote locations near research sites with very limited facilities for the 6 - 8 day work period.

Skills and Knowledge:

- Undergraduate education in range, soils, wildlife, botany, or other natural resource fields.
- Plant identification skills desired
- Strong ability to pay attention to detail
- Capable of hiking over steep and rough terrain in adverse weather conditions
- Comfortable camping and working with crew members in remote areas for extended periods
- Ability to maintain a positive attitude
- Valid driver's license preferred; US citizen
- This position requires heavy lifting and bending over for extended periods of time

Compensation: \$10.44/hr, 40-hour work week. Overtime is paid after 40 hours in a calendar work week. Per Diem \$22.50/day will be provided when we are staying overnight in the field. Housing is provided by the experiment station at no charge.

To Apply: Send a letter of interest and resume to the email address below. List any pertinent classes in range science, botany, natural resources, and wildlife, and experience that relates to the job. Include the date you are available to start work.

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