

District Vegetative Planting Project Technician Job Description

STARTING PAY RATE: \$13.00/hr.

FUNCTION OF WORK:

To carry out overall preparation, implementation, monitoring and reporting duties required of the annually renewed CPRA-LDAF Vegetative Planting Program (VPP) Interagency Agreement, as outlined in the VPP Agreement Scope of Services.

LEVEL OF WORK:

Basic or Journeyman Entry Level

SUPERVISION RECEIVED:

General from the USDA-NRCS District Conservationist, with administrative responsibility to the Soil & Water Conservation District Board and LA Dept. of Agriculture & Forestry/Office of Soil & Water Conservation.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED:

Lead over part-time project workers and project volunteers.

JOB DISTINCTIONS:

The primary work area will be in the Chenier plain region of coastal Southeast Louisiana, with the possibility of occasional project specific assignments within the Deltaic plain region of southwest Louisiana.

EXAMPLES OF WORK:

Conducts environmental assessments of proposed revegetation sites including interpretation and evaluation of soil and water chemical and physical properties, basic elevation, and interpretation of vegetative responses to such factors; vegetative type mapping.

Understands plant specification requirements; ensures specifications are met by marsh plant nurserymen on behalf of participating Districts.

Ensures and assist Conservation Districts develop and let plant material bid advertisements in timely and accurate manner.

Oversees and assists with revegetation project installations, conducts project monitoring, completes and submits all required monitoring reports and proposals for upcoming projects.

Provides general assistance to the field office NRCS District Conservationist, provided all responsibilities to the CPRA-LDAF Vegetative Planting Program are complete to-date.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Basic: High school diploma/equivalency is required. At least one year of farm operation or similar experience is an advantage, but not required.

NOTE: to be eligible for pay and employee benefits compatible with the AES I or II position, employees must have a baccalaureate degree with at least 24 semester hours in agriculture, soil science, animal science, biology, botany, chemistry, entomology, agronomy, horticulture, plant pathology, zoology or a combination of credit in these courses to equal 24 semester hours.