



Wildlife/Range Habitat Specialist

The Laramie County Conservation District (Lccdn.org) is looking to hire a qualified individual to join our team and carry out the duties and responsibilities of a Wildlife/Range Habitat Specialist. The Wildlife/Range Habitat Specialist will perform a variety of tasks to include extensive outreach and work with Laramie County residents and community programs, local, state, and federal agencies and the media to promote resource conservation concepts and habitat enhancement and development practices within our communities.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

The listed functions are illustrative only and are not intended to describe every duty which may be required with this position.

- Provide technical assistance to landowners on current grazing management practices and habitat improvements.
- Assists with writing and editing news releases, articles, publications and reports regarding all district activities and programs.
- Develops, promotes, and maintains conservation plans and practices and other resource venues within project areas created by the district.
- Provides information and assistance regarding funding opportunities for Laramie County residents for conservation management projects.
- Provides outreach and training on current grazing practices, seeding recommendations, water development, water conservation, land management and weed mitigation.
- Assists landowners with cost-share under available programs from the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), WY Water Development Commission, WY Game and Fish, Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust fund, and Non-profit organizations.
- Research future funding to maintain and further the development of district programs.
- Assists in servicing cost-shared practices under any available program, including determination of need and feasibility planning, supervision of installation, and follow-up technical assistance.
- Acts as a liaison, when directed, for projects between the district and other agencies, landowners, contractors, etc.
- Attend district meetings quarterly. May attend annual state WACD convention, Area Meeting and other meetings, as directed.
- Participates in the development of the annual budget, annual report and annual plan of work.

- Oversee or assist with other projects and provide technical assistance on an as needed basis.
- Maintain files and district databases for project and record management.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS/KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS/ABILITIES:

- Bachelor's Degree in natural resources, wildlife biology, range management, botany or similar field, or 3 years of professional experience in conservation of natural resources.
- Makes recommendations with respect to the technical data and researched information regarding natural resource issues and concerns.
- Computer use, software, technological knowledge and mapping software skills.
- Ability to collect and analyze various types of field data and draw conclusions.
- Strong interpersonal skills. Comfortable with public speaking and presentations to various interest groups.
- Self-starter, excited to promote natural resource management practices and concepts to various stakeholders and audiences.
- Knowledge of wildlife habitat enhancement techniques and practices to include seeding recommendations and native plant introduction.
- Knowledge of Wyoming wildlife characteristics, identification, and habitat requirements.
- Understanding of livestock stocking rates and AUM calculations.
- Knowledge of invasive plant species and noxious weed mitigation.
- Reside in Laramie or Albany County within 6 months of hire.
- Must have a valid driver's license.

PHYSICAL WORKING CONDITIONS:

- Ability to operate a vehicle in all terrains and weather conditions
- Ability to occasionally drive long distances, walk over rough terrain, endure all types of weather
- Ability to lift 50 lbs.

SALARY RANGE:

Depending on Experience (DOE)-Monthly Salary

Benefit package includes the following:

- Comprehensive health, dental, and vision insurance
- Paid bi-monthly
- Paid vacation, sick leave, holidays, and FMLA qualifier
- Retirement - Pension and 457B plans that help you build a secure future
- Flexible schedules and work-life balance options
- Meaningful work that makes a difference for Wyoming communities

TO APPLY:

Please submit a letter of interest, current resume, and two (2) letters of reference with contact information to info@lccdn.org or mail/hand deliver to 1923 Whitney Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007. Position to remain open until filled.

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