

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

TITLE: Rangeland Ecologist – 2 positions available

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 in: 1) the sampling design, collection, analysis, and publishing of data from process-based ecological field studies; 2) the taxonomy and identification of montane and desert vegetation; and 3) experimental design, computers, and statistical analyses. A Master's degree in one of the above fields with demonstration of knowledge and experience in the above areas is preferred. 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. Highly desirable qualifications include demonstrated abilities to: use scientific equipment to test, sample, and gather data; and measure, record, and interpret vegetation data.

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 two global change related projects in the Mojave Desert: the Nevada Desert FACE Facility and the Mojave Global Change Facility (see http://www.unlv.edu/Climate_Change_Research/ for more details on these projects). 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 newly-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.

WORK LOCATION and SALARY: 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. Starting salary is targeted at the rate equivalent to the federal GS-7/9 level (approximately \$33,000 per year) and will be commensurate with experience. Medical, dental, and vision benefits are provided for the employee. These grant-funded positions are expected to continue for approximately 2 years; continued employment is contingent on the availability of funding.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Consideration of applications will begin on September 1, 2005 and continue until positions are filled.

STARTING DATE: As soon as possible.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Send a letter of application summarizing how you meet the qualifications, a curriculum vitae, and the name, address, email address, and telephone number for three references to:

Robert S. Nowak
Dept. of Natural Resources & Environmental Science / MS 370
University of Nevada, Reno
Reno, NV 89557

For additional information, contact: Bob Nowak (775-784-1656) nowak@cabnr.unr.edu. Information is also available from <http://www.ag.unr.edu/nowak/Jobs/jobs.htm> and from <http://www.jobs.unr.edu/>.

Newly hired faculty must assure that their official transcript is sent by the degree granting institution(s) to University of Nevada, Reno Human Resources within 30 calendar days from the effective date of employment. Academic degrees must have been awarded by regionally accredited institutions.

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