

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Science (NRES) at the University of Nevada, Reno seeks a full-time Post-Doctoral Research Associate who will study positive and negative feedbacks related to soil nutrient dynamics and plant establishment processes. The successful candidate will work on an interdisciplinary project designed to investigate the effects of fire and livestock grazing on nutrient budgets and plant establishment processes in sagebrush steppe ecosystems invaded by cheatgrass (*Bromus tectorum*). The project uses a mechanistic approach and involves extensive field work in remote areas of the Great Basin of Nevada. The successful applicant must have a PhD in soil science, plant ecology, or related field. Applicants also must demonstrate a good working knowledge of soil biogeochemistry, plant ecology and soil-plant interactions and the capacity to publish in the open literature. Contact Dr. Dale Johnson for additional information: dwj@cabnr.unr.edu (775-784-4511). Applications must be submitted by April 30, 2009. Application procedures can be found at: www.unrsearch.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=53726