INTRODUCTION

The Field Assistant is a full-time position for the Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District (RCRCD) in Riverside, California. The Field Assistant will be required to work with staff, contractors, volunteers, and/or independent with minimal supervision under the direction of the district manager, project manager, field supervisor or assigned personnel.

DUTIES

1. Restoration Habitat Assistance. Assist Project Managers or assigned personnel with Invasive Species and habitat restoration programs that include but are not limited to: string trimming, hand weeding, mechanical removal, spot herbicide treatment of weeds; install irrigation, planting, including maintenance and repair; irrigation controller programing, troubleshooting, wiring, and repairs; vegetation monitoring; vegetation transects; photo point installs; daily reports; and any other tasked not listed.

2. Resource Conservation and LandUse Learning Center. Assist with maintenance that include but are not limited to: mowing, edging, tree and plant pruning, deadfall removal, blowing path ways, and any other tasks not listed.

3. General Maintenance. Assist with repairs including but not limited to fences repair, post, signs, patching concrete and asphalt, install of light fixture, painting, carpentry, and any other task not listed, general maintenance, planting, irrigation install and repairs at the RCRCD office, Greenbelt property, Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center, mitigation sites, and open space areas. Tasks include but not limited to mowing, edging, pruning; chemical treatment; string trimming, hand weeding; irrigation repairs; and any other task not listed.

4. Irrigation Water Management. Assistance shall be provided in conducting irrigation evaluations on Federal, City, or private properties, on Parks, Commercial buildings, and Agriculture lands. Irrigation evaluation tasks consist of but not limited to: soil and water collection testing, field assessments of irrigation practices, catch can data collection, gathering report data, and report writing.
5. Aquatics. Assist with aquatic fieldwork, stream maintenance, shade cloth install and/or repair, pump cleaning, fish netting, and any other task not listed.

6. Attend various technical meetings. Meetings may include tailgate meetings, safety staff meetings, project meetings, department meetings, and any other meetings deemed necessary by management.

7. Perform other related duties as requested by the District Manager, Field Supervisor, or assigned personnel.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS

1. Working knowledge of principles, practices, and techniques of soils, water, and wildlife.

2. Two years of habitat restoration installation and maintenance experience is required or a minimum of one year in the landscape industry and/or equivalent.

3. Must be able to lift 50 pounds.

4. Basic knowledge in computer programs (excel, word, outlook, pdf).

5. Must possess valid California Driver’s License with an acceptable driving record.

6. Must be able to walk on uneven terrain for long periods of time.

7. Able to work in inclement weather. (rain, mud, dust, wind, heat)

SUPERVISION

The Field Assistant is under the direct supervision of the Natural Resources Manager. The District Manager will resolve conflicts in assignments.

Starting salary $20 per hour, depending on experience.

Salary range: $20 to $25 per hour, full time with benefits after 6 month probationary period.