

FIELD TECHNICIAN LEAD

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS: Under the direction of the Supervising Agricultural Biologist, plans the daily activities of crews and assigns daily work assignments; gives instructions, provides technical assistance to OVMAP and/or ESWMA employees, leads and inspects the work of others engaged in mosquito control and weed abatement activities, instructs employees in the skillful and safe operation of mosquito and invasive plant abatement equipment, and in safe work practices; trains and may make recommendations to assist in the evaluation of personnel; reports on progress of work; coordinates effectively and cooperates with other agencies when needed to conduct program activities; interacts politely with the public when needed to provide public outreach and to answer public concerns regarding field activities; conducts and supervises insect trapping operations. Must have ability to drive for prolonged time; stand, walk, sit, twist, and carry up to 50 pounds. Position will include exposure to moving machinery which includes all trucks and equipment; to noises caused by equipment and tools; dust, fumes, and other irritants; ambient weather conditions which include a high of 120 degrees and a low of -10 degrees Fahrenheit.

OTHER EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Assists in the identification of insects and invasive plant species; estimates the type and quantity of equipment, materials, and labor necessary for the completion of planned work; maintains or supervises the maintenance of daily records of labor, equipment, and materials used in connection with work being performed; maintains or supervises the maintenance of program equipment; may assist in selection and promotion of personnel; other duties as assigned.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

Experience: High school graduate or equivalent with three years experience in a similar position.

Knowledge of: Principles, materials, methods, and equipment used in mosquito and invasive plant abatement; operation and care of equipment and vehicles including ATVs, pickup trucks, pesticide application equipment, vegetation control equipment and insect trapping equipment; principles and practices of supervision and training; standards of estimating needed workers, materials, and equipment; safe work practices.

<u>Ability to:</u> Under the general direction of the Supervising Agricultural Biologist, plan, organize, schedule, train, and supervise the work of mosquito and/or invasive plant

abatement crews; operate mosquito and/or invasive plant abatement equipment; instruct personnel in the skillful and safe use of all mosquito and/or invasive plant abatement equipment and materials; maintain records and prepare reports; meet and maintain standards of physical endurance and agility; work cooperatively with other agencies or groups encountered in the course of work.

Special Requirements: Must possess or obtain within one year of employment a valid Mosquito Control Technician Certification (OVMAP) or Qualified Applicators License (ESWMA).