



ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION AVAILABILITY



TITLE: Inspector I or II
Pesticide Compliance

REQUISITION # 2009005185

EMPLOYER: New Mexico Department of Agriculture
Division of Agricultural and
Environmental Services

REPLY TO:
New Mexico Department of Agriculture
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EFFECTIVE DATE: As soon as possible after closing

SALARY: Commensurate with qualifications

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POSITION LOCATION: Las Cruces, New Mexico

DEADLINE FOR APPLYING: Review of applications will begin June 19, 2009 and will remain open until filled.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Inspector I: Bachelor's degree from an accredited university (in hand by hire date) and a minimum of 1 to 2 years experience.

Inspector II: A minimum of 3 years experience in addition to the Inspector I qualifications.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Degree in agriculture, natural sciences, pest management, or related field. Experience in regulatory or law enforcement. Knowledge of pesticide application equipment and practices. Ability to use independent judgment, initiative, and logical problem analysis. Evidence of working independently in positions of responsibility with minimum supervision. Experience with personal computer. Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships. Evidence of good oral and written communication skills. Ability to maintain accurate and orderly records.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT: Willing to travel 50 percent of the time, including extended or last minute overnight trips. Defensive driving training required within three months after employment. Driving record subject to investigation. Ability to work around pesticides without adverse allergic reactions or chemical sensitivities. Provide clear, concise, and timely reports to supervisor. Ability to work odd hours as needed and travel on short notice. Appropriately and professionally represent the department in the performance of duties.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES: The inspector, under supervision of the enforcement program manager, is responsible for administering regulatory programs under the New Mexico Pesticide Control Act and associated regulations.

- Inspect licensed pesticide applicators and pesticide sales outlets for compliance with state and federal pesticide laws.
- Investigate reports of suspected pesticide misuse and document violations for referral to supervisor.
- Collect routine and investigative pesticide samples for laboratory analysis.
- Assist sponsors of pesticide applicator training programs including developing and conducting presentations as necessary.
- Administer pesticide licensing examinations to qualified applicants in assigned area.
- Interpret and explain New Mexico Pesticide Control Act and attendant rules to the regulated community and interested parties.
- Maintain effective communication with the public, regulated industry, and other regulatory agencies.
- Complete directives of supervisor including: producing timely, clear, concise, accurate reports, documents, and inspection forms, communicating on a regular and timely with supervisor as to activities and work schedule, consistently maintaining adequate inspection and work schedule during normal work hours, and maintain availability for adequate response time for complaint investigations.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS: A complete application consists of the NMDA application form (available at www.nmda.nmsu.edu/Jobs.html), personal resume including three references, college transcripts, and a letter of interest handwritten by the applicant. All materials must be received no later than the close of business on the deadline date above.

BENEFITS OFFERED: Group medical, dental and hospital insurance; group life insurance; sick leave; annual leave; worker's compensation; unemployment compensation; and state education retirement.

Offer of employment contingent upon verification of Individual's eligibility for employment in the United States. All offers of employment, oral and written, are contingent on the university's verification of credentials and other information required by federal law, state law, and NMSU policies/procedures, and may include the completion of a criminal history check.

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