



Walla Walla County Conservation District

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Position Description

Title: Conservation Technician/Intern

Bureau of Labor Statistics occupation code [19-4093](#)

Introduction:

Walla Walla County Conservation District is seeking a seasonal intern to aid our restoration and outreach programs. The position may transition into a full-time, permanent position depending on funding. WWCCD works with landowners to improve water, soil, or habitat concerns using voluntary incentive programs. Specific projects for Summer 2018 may include the following:

- Work with WDFW and assist mapping fish habitat and barriers along Walla Walla Valley streams
- Monitor 2 in-stream river restoration projects (late July to mid-September)
- Assist with riparian forest assessments and government contract paperwork
- Assist with agricultural land assessments and assorted paperwork.

Duties & Responsibilities:

Prepare or assist with accurate project reporting, fieldwork, compiling/organizing data, and other documents. Provide technical assistance regarding the conservation of soil, water, forests, or related natural resources. May compile data pertaining to content, condition, and other characteristics of riparian tracts, agricultural land and/or fish passage barriers. May assist conservation scientists in managing, improving, and protecting land & habitats. Coordinate multiple projects and timelines with flexible scheduling. Coordinate between landowners, CD staff, and other agencies for technical assistance. Provide periodic project inspection during the life of the projects as directed by conservation district staff. Perform other duties as assigned by CD staff & District Board of Supervisors.

Required Knowledge & Skills:

- Must have 2 years of course work in one or more of the following areas: Irrigation efficiency, agricultural sciences, biology or physical sciences, natural resource management, or a related discipline **OR** 5 years or more agricultural experience.
- Must have strong verbal/written communication skills. Ability to import data, analyze data sets, and develop maps and other graphic depictions of plans using combination of ArcGIS (highly preferred) and EXCEL. Ability to maintain accurate records regarding time-keeping.
- Must be self-motivated, able to work positively in groups, work independently, efficiently and reliably.
- Must be able to physically perform tasks in the field by traversing uneven ground in varied weather conditions and occasionally carrying up to 30 pounds of equipment and/or materials.
- Must maintain a valid driver's license and provide a clean driving record at time of hire.

Intern wage is \$15.00 per hr. As with all positions at the WWCCD, employment is contingent on grant funding and may change depending on state and federal budget allocations. Terms of compensation and benefits may be amended at any time by the WWCCD Board of Supervisors. Submit cover letter and resume to either renee.hadley@wwccd.net or mail/drop-off at our office at 325 N 13th Avenue for consideration. Primary consideration by May 1, 2018.