Agricultural Commissioner / Sealer of Weights & Measures San Luis Obispo County





"Serving the community by protecting agriculture, the environment and the health and safety of its citizens"

This position is Open Until Filled. First application review is Scheduled for November 5, 2010



The Job:

San Luis Obispo County is seeking an innovative, responsive and high performing Agricultural professional to serve as the County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures. This high profile position requires a strong, trustworthy and visionary leader who is committed to providing superior public service to the citizens of San Luis Obispo County.

The Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer reports to the County Administrative Officer who is responsible to the Board of Supervisors. Along with professional staff, you will work with community members, various commissions, boards, associations and special interest groups to build consensus to promote the department's strategic vision. The Department acts in an advisory capacity when reviewing land use projects. This position leads over 40 employees and is responsible for a budget of nearly \$5.2M.

For more information about the San Luis Obispo County Department of Agricultural, please go to: www.slocounty.ca.gov/agcomm

Compensation: A competitive compensation package will be offered based on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate. The salary range for this position is \$107,827—\$131,060.

For more information visit: www.slocounty.ca.gov/Assets/PE/Benefits/bu09.htm



The Ideal Candidate will have a minimum of five years of increasingly responsible management-level experience. A current license issued by the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture as a County Agricultural Commissioner and County Sealer of Weights and Measures is required.

We are looking for a candidate who:

- Is a **seasoned professional** who is committed to serving the community by protecting agriculture, the environment and the health and safety of the citizens of San Luis Obispo County.
- Is an experienced leader and manager who has a record of working effectively with a wide variety of stakeholders in a political environment.
- Has a visionary approach to the challenges facing the agricultural community and related land use policies, the County's mission, and who is supportive of the Board of Supervisor's priorities.
- Possesses the highest level of personal and professional integrity with an unblemished record as demonstrated in both public and private life.
- Has a strong record of developing and maintaining effective interpersonal relationships with department staff, the Board of Supervisors, other public agencies, agricultural advisory boards, news media and the public.
- Demonstrates calm, centered and confident leadership that **inspires** others to commit to the organization's ideals, contribute their best and provide outstanding customer service.
- Is an outstanding communicator and listener who can work in a collaborative way with community groups, public agencies and the public.
- Is an effective **advocate for agriculture** who can judiciously execute the regulatory authority of this position.





Our County:

Located halfway between L.A. and San Francisco, about 260,000 people call San Luis Obispo County home. Over a dozen delightful towns and cities, including the City of San Luis Obispo, Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Avila Beach, Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay, Nipomo, Paso Robles, Pismo Beach, San Miguel, San Simeon, and others create a single extended community.

Our county's natural beauty includes beaches, lakes, mountains, wetlands, elfin forests, and state/county parks. San Luis Obispo County is home to California Polytechnic State University, Cuesta Community College, Hearst Castle, two of the 21 historical California missions, and a commercial airport. San Luis Obispo County schools are among the highest ranked schools in the state.

San Luis Obispo County is one of the largest wine regions in California. Throughout the County there are year-round farmers markets, recreational activities, wine tours, and cultural events to meet all your relaxation needs.

Agriculture, government, tourism, recreation, and a growing technology business sector make up the stable economic background of the County.

More information about San Luis Obispo County can be found at: www.sanluisobispocounty.com

HOW TO APPLY:

- Please send resumes and cover letters to San Luis Obispo County Human Resources. Cover letters should include details about your experience and background in the Administration of Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer Programs, community outreach, land use planning, and environmental sustainability.
- E-mail your resume and cover letter to: mmckibben@co.slo.ca.us, or
- Fax to: (805) 781-1044, or
- Mail to: County of San Luis Obispo Human Resources Department
 1055 Monterey St. D-250, San Luis Obispo, CA. 93408
- Projected recruitment plan
 - Mid-November, top candidates appear before an interview panel consisting of the CAO, Incumbent Agricultural Commissioner, neighboring Agricultural Commissioner and selected department heads.
 - December 3rd, final candidates appear before an interview panel consisting of senior departmental managers, members of the Agricultural community and advisory boards. Candidates will subsequently interview with the County's Board of Supervisors.