

BUTTE COUNTY invites applications for the position of:

Agricultural Biologist/Weights & Measures Inspector I

SALARY: \$20.11 - \$26.94 Hourly

\$1,608.80 - \$2,155.20 Biweekly \$3,485.73 - \$4,669.60 Monthly \$41,828.80 - \$56,035.20 Annually

OPENING DATE: 10/29/18

CLOSING DATE: 11/09/18 05:00 PM

SUMMARY:

Senior level students due to graduate within six (6) months may apply.

Candidates who meet the minimum qualifications as explained below will be invited to participate in the written examination scheduled for November 27 or 28, 2018.

The current vacancy to be filled will be assigned to the Weights & Measures Division.

Under close supervision, receives training and performs inspections to promote and protect agriculture, public health, environment, consumers and businesses by enforcing federal, State and local laws and regulations.

FLSA: Non-Exempt

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Essential functions, as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act, may include any of the following tasks, knowledge, skills and other characteristics. The list that follows is not intended as a comprehensive list; it is intended to provide a representative summary of the major duties and responsibilities. Incumbent(s) may not be required to perform all duties listed, and may be required to perform additional, position-specific tasks.

- Provide assistance to Agricultural Biologists/Weights and Measures Inspectors in discovering and resolving problems.
- Assist with investigations to prevent or eliminate environmental and pesticide health hazards, worker health and safety and food quality, air and water quality issues or land use related to pesticide applications and agricultural use.
- May proctor pesticide permit exams, evaluate and issue restricted material permits and operator identification numbers, register pest control business; review pesticide use reports; assist in developing and presenting training programs related to pesticide laws and regulations to various groups.
- May inspect pesticide storage areas and equipment; conduct field worker inspections; review and evaluate business and employee safety records for growers, pest control operators, municipalities, pesticide dealers and pest control advisors; evaluate and approve proposed sites and notices of intent for pesticide applications.
- Receives instruction in and performs inspections and tests of commercial weighing and measuring devices and meters.
- Develops working relationship with the agricultural and business communities; provides good customer service in compliance with departmental policies.
- May inspect agricultural products and commodities for compliance with State codes and regulations.

- May conduct pesticide container, equipment, application, and storage facility inspections as directed.
- Assists in pest detection, eradication, and control of pests and diseases; collects various agricultural samples for testing and identification.
- Assist or may verify the accuracy of price scanning equipment; verify weighmaster licenses and determine whether certificates of weights and measures are being issued correctly.
- Assist with or may investigate complaints of improper weight, measure, or count; conducts random sampling of packaged commodities to ensure the accuracy of labeled net content.
- May verify the work and license requirements of registered service agents.
- Assist with or may inspect Junk Dealer/Recyclers for storm water permit, photographic, thumb printing and theft alert notification requirements.
- Assist with or may inspect petroleum vapor recovery systems; monitors petroleum octane, labeling, price signs, and advertising to ensure accuracy and compliance with regulations and tests for sediment and water contamination in petroleum fuels.
- May operate a variety of specialized equipment, including gas and electric meter test apparatus, taximeter fifth wheel, scanner gun, heavy-capacity weight truck, hydraulic crane, and weight mover.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

 Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college with specialization in one or more appropriate disciplines in agricultural, biological, chemical, or physical sciences; or in any discipline with a minimum of 30 semester units, or equivalent, in one or any combination of the following disciplines, Agricultural Science, Biological Science, Chemical Science, Physical Science, Mathematics, and or Statistics for licensing examination by the California Department of Food & Agriculture.

Senior level students due to graduate within six (6) months may supply a letter from their attending university stating impending graduation date of their degree program and verification of credits needed for graduation, which will allow placement on list of eligibles. Actual hiring of position will not occur until proof of graduation is provided.

- Possession of the Pesticide Regulation and Plant Prevention & Plant Regulation or the Measurement Verification license(s) issued by the State of California Department of Food and Agriculture in agriculture or weights and measures depending on division assignment. OR
- Candidates that do not have a license(s), but meet the educational requirements to obtain
 a license may be appointed but must obtain the Pesticide Regulation and Pest Prevention &
 Plant Regulation or the Measurement Verification license(s) depending on division
 assignment within one year.
- Must take the State Structural Pest Control training course in order to perform pesticide structural pest control inspections within two years.
- Valid State of California driver's license is required.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND CONDITIONS/PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Work is performed in an office environment, and in internal and external environments with exposure to inclement weather and varying temperatures.
- Performing the essential functions of this job will require the incumbent to work with and/or around hazardous chemicals, conditions, and materials, unpleasant odors or substances in the field, such as heat, rain, dust, gasoline vapors and diesel exhaust, and pesticides.
- May be required to lift and carry items weighing over 50 pounds.

Agricultural Biologist/Weights & Measures Inspector I Supplemental Questionnaire

* 1. Do you possess a valid California driver's license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
* 2. Do you have a Bachelor's degree in agricultural, biological, chemical, or physical sciences; or in any discipline with a minimum of 30 semester units, or equivalent, in one or any combination of the following disciplines, Agricultural Science, Biological Science, Chemical Science, Physical Science, Mathematics, and or Statistics for licensing examination by the California Department of Food & Agriculture? Yes No
* 3. Please list the degree you obtained (or are obtaining) in question #2. (Ie. Biological Science)
 * 4. Do you have a valid Pesticide Regulation and Pest Prevention & Plant Regulation or the Measurement Verification license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
* 5. Please list the name(s) of the valid license(s) you have obtained in question #4.
* 6. Senior level students due to graduate wtihin six (6) months must supply a letter from their attending university stating the impending graduation date of their degree program. You MUST attach this letter AND unofficial transcripts to your application in order to be considered for this recruitment. Please select "yes" acknowledging that you have read and understand this requirement. Pes
* 7. The job classification that you are applying for REQUIRES a degree as listed in the minimum qualifications on the job specification. You MUST include copies of transcripts (do not need to be official) OR diploma. prior to the recruitment deadline. Not submitting this documentation by the recruitment deadline will result in disqualification from this recruitment. Prior to reduce required experience, transcripts and/or diploma must be provided. Please select "yes" acknowledging that you have read and understand this requirement. Prior Yes
* Required Question